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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Youth fades; love droops; the leaves of friendship fall' A Mother's secret hope outlives them all. ~ Oliver Wendell Homes

WORLD'S MEANEST MOTHER

"I had the meanest mother in the whole world", this anonymous person wrote. While other kids ate candy for breakfast, I had to have cereal, eggs and toast. When others had coke and candy for lunch, I had to eat a sandwich. As you can guess, my dinner was different from other kids."

"My mother insisted on knowing where we were at all times. You'd think we were on a chain gang. She had to know who our friends were and what we were doing. She insisted that if we said we'd be gone for an hour, that we would be gone one hour or less."

"I am ashamed to admit it, but she actually had the nerve to break the child labor law. She made us work! We had to wash all the dishes, make beds, learn to cook and all sorts of cruel things. I believe she lay awake nights thinking up mean things to do to us."

"She always insisted on us telling the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. By the time we were teenagers she was much wiser, and our life became even rougher".

"None of this tooting the horn of a car for us to come running. She embarrassed us no end by making our dates and friends come to the door to get us. I forgot to mention, while my friends were dating at the mature age of 12 and 13, my old-fashioned mother refused to let me date until I was 15 or 16."

"My mother was a complete failure as a mother. None of us has ever been arrested, or beaten a mate. Each of my brothers served his time in the service of his country. And who do we have to blame for this terrible way we turned out? You're right, our mean mother".

"Look at all the things we missed. We never got to take part in a riot and a million and one things that our friends did. She made us grow up into educated, honest adults."



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DATES HAVE BEEN SET



- Project Show 5/12
- Horse Leaders Mtg. 5/14
- Horticulture Show 5/26
- Recordbooks DUE 6/25
- Awards Applications DUE ... 6/25
- Gold Star Interviews 7/12
- Scholarship Interviews 7/17
- Club Manager Trainings .. 8/6 or 7
- Officer Training 8/7
- Awards Program 8/10

To provide quality, relevant outreach and continuing education programs and services to the people of Texas.

"Using this as a background, I am trying to raise my children. I stand a little taller and I am filled with pride when my children call me mean. You see, I'm thankful I have the meanest mother in the whole world."

....Written by Orien Fifer in the Phoenix Gazette



THANKS TO OUR SPONSOR!

This month's newsletter is sponsored by Bexar his month's newsletter is sponsored by Bexar County 4-H Council. Thank you for helping 4-H defray the cost of postage.

HERE'S THE LATEST

Welcome New 4-H Clubs

New clubs: Food Group, Miller Anchors, Dorie Miller, Con Carino, Good Sam, Radiance Business and Rosemont.

2007-2008 Council & Adult Officers Elected

Council Officers

President- April Johnson

1st Vice President - Kristin Wilkes

2nd Vice President - Jacob Ballard

Secretary - Allison Moore

Treasurer- Levi Hevner

Reporter- Katie Jagge

Parliamentarian - Ben Hill

1st Council Delegate - Andre Jones

2nd Council Delegate - Rebecca Campbell

Social - Jackie Binder

Community Service- Casey DeCock

Health & Safety - Anna Kersch

Adult Leader Officers

President - Sharla Harmon

Vice President -Sandra Tondre

Secretary - Trish Ballard

Treasurer - Barry Hevner

Project Show

Date: Saturday, May 12

Place: Helotes 4-H Activity Center

You can drop off your entries on Friday, May 11 between 6-8 p.m. or Saturday, May 12 between 9-10 a.m. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT FOR JUDGING.** Awards presentation of ribbons is at 1:30 p.m. We need judges to help evaluate the entries. If you are interested in judging, please give Pam a call. **YOU DO NOT NEED AN ELIGIBILITY FORM FOR THIS CONTEST.**

Club Manager Training

Date(s): Monday, August 6, 6:30 p.m. (Experienced)

Tuesday, August 7, 6:30 p.m. (New)

Place: County Extension Office

One Club Manager from each club is **required** to attend this training. If you cannot attend, you must make an appoint with the 4-H Agent for a personal training or you **will not** be chartered. Everything you will need to run your club will be handed out at this meeting. Enrollment forms have changed, **do not** use last years forms. The Bexar Council 4-H Council provides every club with a file box to help organize your materials. Bring it and we will help you update it. New Club Managers will be given a file box for your materials.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Alamo Community College Scholarship

The Alamo Community College District (ACCD) Foundation and the San Antonio Livestock Exposition are seeking students who wish to pursue challenging and rewarding careers

in one of the following program areas: Agribusiness, Agriculture, Allied Health, Nursing, Pre-Medicine, Veterinary Technology and more. Call Pam for an application and list of program areas. Application is due by August 5 to the Alamo Community

College District.

SALE Scholarships

We have had many inquires about the SALE Scholarships. We were informed we will hear a reply in mid May. As soon as we get a confirmation about the scholarships, an email will be sent to all Club Managers.

Scholarship Opportunities

Visit our website for over 50 scholarship opportunities. If clicking on the link doesn't work, you will have to type in the website address.

More Scholarship Opportunities

Visit the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation at 1250 NE Loop 410 in the Frost Bank Tower (210/525-8494). Also, visit collegefortexans.com or fastweb.com.

Preparing for College

Here is everything Texans need to know about preparing for college visit www.collegefortexans.com/default2.cfm.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION INFORMATION

County 4-H Awards Program

Date: Friday, August 10, 7:00 p.m.

Place: Helotes 4-H Activity Center

This will be an exciting night, all county awards and college scholarships will be presented. We also recognize all volunteers for their hard work and 4-H members for their accomplishments. Mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend.

We will be serving refreshments and would like to ask for a donation of a dozen cookies from each club. We will also need help in serving the refreshments.

Bronze, Silver and Gold Star Awards

These awards are for 4-H'ers 11-18 years old. If you are wanting to apply for these awards, please see your Awards & Recognition Handbook for qualifications. Every family should have a copy of the handbook, if not, visit our website.

Club Scrapbooks

Put all your photos together and get that scrapbook done. Scrapbooks are due to our office by Monday, June 25th, 5 p.m. There will be cash awards for 1st - 3rd placings. Scrapbook guidelines were given to Club Managers in August. If you need a copy, give your Club Manager a call or visit our website. **NO LATE SCRAPBOOKS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Awards and Recognition Handbook

It's time to start thinking about what criteria must be met to apply for 4-H awards. Every family should have the Awards and Recognition Handbook. If you need a copy, contact your Club Manager or give Pam a call at the 4-H office or visit our website to print a copy.

Club Managers receive updates once a week on all 4-H happening. Contact your Club Manager for up to date information.

4-H OFFICE POLICIES & INFORMATION

Office Procedures

All visitors must check in with the receptionist on duty. Our office hours are Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Lunch is noon 'til 1 p.m.** If you are planning to visit our office during the lunch time, call in advance so that your information will be ready to pick up with the receptionist.

Deadlines

Due dates and times are important. Our due dates are decided upon according to District and State due dates. Deadlines will be according to office hours 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** If you mail your forms, entries, etc, it **your** responsibility to verify that we received it. Please read your newsletter and mark you calendar for due dates. There is a drop slot in the front door. An 11"x13" envelope will fit through it. You can use this drop slot to help you meet deadlines.

Night Drop Slot

There are a lot of deadlines coming up in the next couple of months. To help you meet those deadline, there is a night drop slot in the front door of our office. An 11"x13" envelope will fit through it. Please use this drop slot to help you meet deadlines.

Newsletter Sponsors Needed

If you know of someone that would be interested in helping the 4-H Program defray the cost of postage for this newsletter, we are in need of sponsors. They can insert an 8 ½ by 11 page of information. Cost is approximately \$110 and is mailed to over 795 families. If a sponsor needs more information, please contact Pam at 467-6575.

If You Win....

If you win at a county contest, you will advance to the district contest. Our office provides entry information on the district contest to you which includes how to enter on line on the 4-H Connect program and deadlines. It is then your responsibility to complete the entry by the due date or it will not be accepted.

Making Copies

Our copy allotment is limited, so if you need a copy of a form for your file, please make copies before turning forms into our office.

Happy Mothers Day

LEARN AND HAVE FUN TOO!!!!

District 4-H Horticulture Show

Date: Saturday, May 26, 9 - 10 a.m. registration
Place: Alzafar Shrine Temple, 901 North Loop 1604
Cost: \$5 per member, due on May 26

There are 35 vegetables classes you can enter. For eligibility requirements, list of classes and an entry form contact Pam or visit our website. Entry fee is \$5 per member. No pre-registration is required.

Texas State Dog Show

Date: July 13-14
Place: Triple Crown Dog Academy, Hutto
Due: June 8

Classes include Conformation, Showmanship, Obedience, Costume and more. For information, schedule and entry procedure visit their website at: www.tx4hstatedogshow.com.

Educational Workshops at Texas 4-H Roundup

ROUNDUP

Texas 4-H Roundup

Date: June 5-8
Place: College Station

If you are a senior (14-19) and participated in any District Contest and placed in your contest you get to advance to Texas Roundup in June. You should have received a packet of information about Texas 4-H Roundup. If you don't receive your packet, please contact our office ASAP. Registration to enter Texas Roundup is April 18 - May 9 on 4-H Connect. Deadline to enter Texas Roundup is May 9th. No late entries will be accepted.

Method Demonstration & Illustrated Talks Tips:

☉Stand Tall, do not lean on the table ☉Keep eye contact with the audience ☉Speak loud enough so the entire audience can hear ☉Look and act if you are enjoying presenting the demonstration.

Anyone is welcome to attend any of these workshops. You must enter on line via 4-H Connect by May 9.

- Exploring the Many Faces of Veterinary Medicine \$20
- Building Blocks for 4-H Club Managers \$5
- 4-H Food Challenge \$10
- Building Leadership Through Community Involvement \$5
- The Corps of Cadets "Forging Leaders of Character" \$5
- Welcome to the Poultry Industry: Where We Feed the World \$5
- The Science of Soil and Crop Sciences \$5
- 4-H Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Program (WHEP) \$25
- Leadership Development Workshop \$15

If you need more information about these workshops contact Pam.

2007 Roundup Guide

Anything you want to know about Roundup is in this guide. One guide has been sent to your club or you can print one from the Texas 4-H website at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/roundup> or from our website.

CAMPS, CAMPS AND MORE CAMPS

District 10 Leadership Lab

Date: June 28-30
Place: 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood
Cost: \$150 (lodging, meals, insurance)
Age: 13 (as of June 28, 2007) - 17 years
(no graduating seniors, except officers)

The objective of the lab is for participants to take back to their county what they have learned (leadership development, problem solving and more) and train others in their county. There will also be fun activities to include: volleyball, tennis, swimming and more. Adult chaperones are needed on a 1 to 8 ratio. Registration is on 4-H CONNECT from May 13- June 1. If you need more information about the lab and how to register contact Pam.

West Region 4-H Junior High Leadership Lab

Date: June 14-16
Place: 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood
Cost: \$130
Due: Registration forms due to our office by May 10

This lab is open to 4-H members going into the 6-8 grade this fall. Registration is on 4-H CONNECT from April 23 - May 11. There will be fun activities to include: swimming, costume contest, treasure hunt and more. For more information, registration forms and agenda contact Pam.

Camps con't -

H.S. Estelle 4-H Youth Camp

Date: June 25-29 or July 9-13
Place: Huntsville
Ages: 3rd grade - 17 years
Cost: \$85 (meals, lodging & t-shirt) Scholarships Available
Transportation and insurance \$17.25 required
Due: May 23 or 24 at orientation sites

Campers participate in leadership, computer awareness, creative learning and more fun activities. Contact Pam or Patrice for an application or visit our website.

Career Awareness & Youth Leadership Laboratory

Date: June 12-14
Place: Prairie View A&M University
Cost: \$100 (meals, lodging) Scholarships Available
Transportation \$16 required
Ages: 14-19
Due: May 3

Explore careers in Ag & Natural Resources, Communications, Entrepreneurship, Health Careers and more. Contact Pam or Patrice for an application packet.

SpecTra '07

Date: July 24-28
Place: Texas 4-H Center, Brownwood
Cost: \$285.00

SpecTra is for youth (age 14-18) to enhance project knowledge, expand leadership skills, explore careers, and strengthen their self-image. Sessions include: Outdoor Education, Photo Technology, Leadership, Culinary Arts and more. Adult chaperones are needed and will receive a discount if they attend. Applications are taken on a first come, first serve basis. **Registration will be on line via 4-H Connect at <http://4-h.tamu.edu/> and click on 4-H Connect. For more information on this camp visit <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>.**

Prime Time '07

Session 1 - July 15-18 (age 12-13)
Session 2 - July 18-21 (age 9-11)
Place: Texas 4-H Center, Brownwood
Cost: \$183.00

Prime Time will focus on opportunities to meet new friends, develop new skills, and learn how to work with others, and much more. Adult chaperones are needed and will receive a discount if they attend. Activities include: swimming, canoeing, crafts, climbing and more. Applications are taken on a first come, first serve basis. **Registration will be on line via 4-H Connect at <http://4-h.tamu.edu/> and click on 4-H Connect. For more information on this camp visit <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>**

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Mission Possible

Date: June 20-22
Place: Texas 4-H Center, Brownwood
Cost: \$115.00

This camp is for youth who are physically or learning disabled, or developmentally delayed ages 9 - 18 years. Activities include: swimming, canoeing, archery, crafts, fishing and more. Applications are taken on a first come, first serve basis. **Registration will be on line via 4-H Connect at <http://4-h.tamu.edu/> and click on 4-H Connect. For more information on this camp visit <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>.**

Adventure Trek Challenge Camp

Date: June 11- 17
Place: Lake Bastrop to the Colorado River
Cost: \$325 (meals, lodging, insurance, kayak fees)

This camp is for ages 14-18 and is open to 4-H and **non 4-H** youth. Activities include: fishing, outdoor and camping skills, kayak safety and much more. For more information, agenda and registration contact Pam or visit <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>. Registration is on online on 4-H Connect. Deadline is May 2.

Adventure Challenge Camp

Date: June 25 - July 1
Place: Lake Brownwood, Brownwood
Cost: \$285 (meals, lodging, insurance, kayak fees)

This camp is for ages 14-18 and is open to 4-H and **non 4-H** youth. Activities include: backpacking, outdoor skills, hiking, fishing and much more. For more information, agenda and registration contact Pam or visit <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>. Registration is on online on 4-H Connect. Deadline is May 10.

Wildlife Conservation Camp

Date: July 8-14
Place: Welder Wildlife Refuge, Sinton
Cost: \$250 (meals & lodging)
Due: May 7

Campers (age 15-18) will gain hands-on knowledge in animal & plant ID, conservation ethics, team building and much more. To sign up or for more information visit their website at <http://www.tctws.org> or contact Annette.

Camp Employment Opportunity

There are several positions available to work at the H.S. Estelle 4-H and Youth Camp in Huntsville during the weeks of June 15-August 3. If you are interested contact Sonja Davis at 936/261-5134 as soon as possible, positions fill up fast.

More camps are listed in the Horse, Livestock and Outdoor sections.

RECORDBOOK INFORMATION

Recordbook or Project Form Deadline

All recordbooks or project forms are due to our office Monday, June 25th by 5 p.m. **NO LATE RECORDBOOKS OR PROJECT FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Reminder, we have a night drop in the front door for your use. An 11"x13" envelope will fit through it.

When completing a Recordbook, a member receives a year pin and a project medal. When completing a Project Form, a member receives only a year pin.

Help Needed!

We need your help on Tuesday, June 26th to sort recordbooks for judging. We will begin at 1 p.m. Please give Pam a call if you can help.

Recordbook To Do List

- ✓ Recordbook forms must be signed by a Club Manager or a Project Leader before they are turned in. **UNSIGNED forms in your recordbook will not be accepted.** Project forms require a leader's signature.
- ✓ A 3" x 5" information card must be completed and stapled to the outside center top front of each Recordbook cover. Project forms **do not** require the 3" x 5" card. Your Recordbook Leaders have some 3" x 5" information cards or you can get them from our office.
- ✓ 2007 4-H Member Recognition Application form (pink) must be clipped to the outside front cover of your Recordbook or attached to the front of the project form. The 4-H Member Recognition Application form must be signed by your Club Manager or it **will NOT be accepted.** A member receives a year pin by submitting a project form only. If you need a copy of the Member Recognition Application contact your Recordbook Leader or visit our website.
- ✓ Complete the top portion of the Recordbook Check Sheet (beige). Clip it to the inside of the front cover of your Recordbook. Project forms **do not** require this sheet. (Our District is 10). If you need a copy of this form contact your Recordbook Leader or visit our website.

County Recordbook Judging

Date: Wednesday, June 27th, County Extension office
Time: 9 a.m.

Judges are needed. If you have never judged this is a great opportunity to learn more about recordbooks. If you would like to help judge, please give Pam a call. A wonderful lunch will be provided for judges.

How to be a Good Recordbook Judge

This resource provides a great overview on how to evaluate recordbooks. This is great if you are judging, thinking about judging or just want to know how recordbooks are evaluated. The program is about 35 minutes long. The web link is: http://agfacts.tamu.edu/D11/Extension/4H/Video/JudgingRecordbooks_files/Default.htm.

Recordbook Information

If you are needing information on beginning your recordbook, all Club Managers received a packet "Anything and Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About 4-H Recordbooks". You can contact your Club Manager for a copy of the packet.

Video - Two Recordbook trainings are available on video. Videos can be checked out from our office.

Recordbook/Project Form Guideline Booklets - These are very helpful and are available at our office or on our website.

Recordbook Tutorial - This tutorial takes you through all the steps to complete a recordbook in about 22 minutes. Tutorial website http://uvalde.tamu.edu/xtension/4-H/Program_Resources/ProgramResources.htm.

The Texas 4-H 2006-2007 Clover Handbook

The Texas 4-H Clover Handbook informs all 4-H members about Project Categories and Recordbook Guidelines. The handbook is on our 4-H website.

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

Family & Consumer Project Planning Meeting

Date: Wednesday, August 8
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: County Extension office S-208
RSVP: August 6 for pizza

This meeting is to plan the Family & Consumer Sciences (Food Show, Fashion Show, Quiz Bowl and Consumer Decision Making) events for the 2007-2008 year including any contests, leader trainings or county field trips. We will also discuss adding new activities, develop an FCS calendar and appoint project development teams. RSVP to Annette for pizza.

Volunteer Voice

The Texas 4-H Program has set up a blog site that provides volunteers the chance to give feedback to the 4-H Family and Consumer Science program. Volunteers are invited to participate in "Volunteer Voice", however, in order to post comments, you must sign up as an author by emailing Courtney Dodd at efdodd@ag.tamu.edu with your name, county and email address. She will then email you an invitation, which you must accept in order to become an author and be able to participate on the blog site (<http://texas4hvolunteervoic.blogspot.com>).

Family and Consumer Sciences - con't

Bexar County Extension Education Association Fundraiser

The EEA group will be selling hanging baskets to raise money for 4-H scholarships. They give scholarships to 4-H members every year. Come support their fundraiser on Saturday, May 12, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Good News Lutheran Church on Old Corpus Christi Hwy.

Clothing Resources On-Line

There are two very educational Clothing and Textiles curriculum on line, "Clothes that Click" and Clothing Capers". Visit the site (<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/project/clothingandtextiles.htm>.) and print chapters that you would like to share with your members.

HORSE NEWS

Horse Leaders Meeting

Date: Monday, May 14
Place: County Extension Office
Time: 7 p.m.



These meetings are to plan the upcoming year with horsemanship activities. Adults and members interested in the horse program should make every effort to attend this meeting.

District Horse Show

Date: Wednesday, June 20
Place: Seguin

Entries have been mailed to all Horse Leaders. Entries are due to our office by Monday, May 14.

District Horse Show Mandatory Meeting

Date: June 7
Place: County Extension office, S-208
Time: 7 p.m.

If you are participating in the District Horse Show, this is a mandatory meeting for you. If you have any questions, contact Sonija.

Jackpot Playdays

Date: May 5, June 2 and July 7
Place: Bexar County Sheriff's Mounted Posse Arena
Time: May, June & July - books open 4 p.m., show starts 6 p.m.

For a copy of the flyer and more information, contact Annette or visit our website.

Club Managers receive updates once a week on all 4-H happening. Contact your Club Manager for up to date information.

Team Roping School

Date: May 31 - June 3
Place: South Plains College, Levelland
Cost: \$250 (lodging, insurance and instruction material)
Due: May 15

This school is for members 12-18 years old and will cover development of roping and horsemanship skills and more. For an application and schedule contact Annette at the office.

Horsemanship School

Date: June 13-14
Place: Colorado County Fairgrounds, Columbus
Cost: \$25

Topics: Equipment, safety, bits & biting and more. Deadline is June 8. For more information contact Annette.

Texas Calf Roping and Break A Way School

Date: June 17-21
Place: Stephenville
Cost: \$350 (meals, lodging, horse stall)

Deadline is May 15. For entry form and more information contact Annette.

Youth All Around Clinic

Date: June 23-24
Place: Texas Tech Equestrian Center
Cost: \$70

For more information call Texas Tech at 806/792-4682.

Cow Horse Clinic

Date: July 28-29
Place: Texas Tech Equestrian Center
Cost: \$70

For more information call Texas Tech at 806/792-4682.

Horse con't-

HorseQuest

HorseQuest provides internet visitors with reliable up to date horse information. It features Frequently Asked Questions, Ask the Experts, News, Events and Learning Modules. Visit the site at www.extension.org/horses.

Horse Information

If you would like to know what is going on with the Horse Program visit <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/ansc/index.htm> then click on CEA Horse Newsletter.

Texas State 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations

The 2007 rules are currently being printed and are available at <http://animalscience.tamu.edu> or <http://tcebookstore.org>.

Horse Information

Whenever you need to know what is going on with the State Horse Program visit the A&M website http://animalscience.tamu.edu/main/academics/equine/cea_newsletter.html.

LIVESTOCK NEWS

Steer Validation

Steer Validation dates have been set:
June 21, Culebra Center, 9-12 noon
June 22, Boysville, 1 - 5 p.m.

If you purchased a steer tag mark your calendar to attend one of the validation dates listed.

Attention BCJLS Participants!

Checks were distributed to your Club Manager April 17 at the Directors Meeting. The BCJLS Board encourages you to cash your checks in a timely manner. If you did not write your thank you letter, your check is being held until this matter is completed.

Turkey Order

We have not received final information on turkey orders for the Bexar County show and any major shows. Watch the June newsletter for a quick turn around time.



Market Poultry Production & Selection Workshop

Date: May 19
Place: Texas A&M-Louis Pearce Pavilion
Cost: \$15

Topics: Feeding programs, selection, hands on activities and more. For and entry form, agenda and more information contact Annette.

East Texas Beef Camp

Date: June 14-16
Place: Van Zandt County Fairgrounds, Canton
Cost: \$80 (meals, t-shirt, materials)

Topics include: Selection, safety, breeding, fitting, health and more. For more information and an entry form, contact Annette.

Youth Cow Camp

Date: July 5-7
Place: Kingsville
Cost: \$200 (meals, lodging, supplies)

Deadline is June 1. For and entry and more information contact Annette or John at 361/595-8566.

Wilson County Summer Classic Steer Show

Date: June 23
Place: Wilson County Showbarn

Deadline is June 15. For and entry form and more information contact Russell at 830/484-1128.

Master Beef Volunteer Training

Date: June 1-3
Place: Texas Tech Animal Science Bldg, Lubbock
Cost: \$100 (meals and education materials)

Topics: Breeds, genetics, grading, tour and more. Deadline to enter is on 4-H Connect by May 22. For more information contact Annette.

Master Sheep & Goat Volunteer Training

Date: July 20-22
Place: George West
Cost: \$100

Topics: Selection, Feeding, Health, Exercising, Classification and more. For more information contact Annette. Deadline to enter is May 31.

West Texas Youth Veterinary Science Workshop

Date: June 24-28
Place: Sutton County 4-H Civic Center, Sonora
Cost: \$200
Due: June 1

This workshop is to expose youth (14-18 yrs) to careers in veterinary science. Topics: zoology, toxicology, anatomy, health management and more. For more information and application contact Annette or go to sutton-co.tamu.edu.

Livestock News con't -

San Antonio & Houston Show Floor Checks

SALE and Houston floor checks are available for pick up from our office.

Texas Pork Producers Youth Symposium

Date: July 13-14

Place: Convention Center, Kerrville

Cost: \$20 (includes meals)

Deadline is May 15. Photo contest, essay contest, meats judging and livestock judging contests are part of the symposium. For more information contact Annette or visit www.texaspork.org.

State Fair of Texas (Dallas) Swine Validation Tags

The cost is \$8 per hog tag for State Fair of Texas. Deadline to send in the enclosed order form is Wednesday, May 9.

Bexar County Junior Livestock Show Website

Check out their new website at www.bcjls.com.

Farm Service Agency Rural Youth Loans

These loans are available for youth ages 10-20 to finance their livestock projects. Contact our local office at 210/472-6748.

OUTDOOR FUN

CORE Program

The CORE (Conservation of Resources and Ethics) will have its next program on Saturday, May 26th at the Medina River Natural Area at 15890 Highway 16 South from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We will go on a hike and identify plants, talk about water quality and management and more. Please RSVP to Nelson (nadiarte@ag.tamu.edu) by May 22 to make sure we have enough refreshments for everyone. The next program will be a Angler Fishing Clinic in June at Braunig Lake. Watch the next newsletter for a final date.

Texas Sportfishing Camp

Date: July 16-19

Place: Lake Buchanan

Cost: \$75 (meals)

Activities: Casting, fish biology, making lures and more. Deadline is June 1. For and entry form and more information contact Annette.

Kerr County 4-H Skeet & Trap

Date: June 1- 3

Place: Hill Country Shooting Sports Center, Kerrville

Deadline is May 15. For application and more information contact Annette.

Hotbox Invitational Shoot

Date: June 9

Place: Brown County Youth Fair Barns, Brownwood

Deadline is May 30. For application and more information contact Annette.

Comal County 4-H Shotgun Invitational

Date: July 7

Place: San Antonio Gun Club, San Antonio

Deadline is May 31. For application and more information contact Annette.

Callahan County Fun Shoot

Date: June 16

Place: Callahan County Shooting Range, Baird

Deadline is June 1. For application and more information contact Annette.

Open Invitational Silhouette Match

Date: Aug. 4 - Aug. 5

Place: Texas Muzzleloader Range, Brady

Deadline is July 25. For application and more information contact Annette.

3 Position Shooting Sports

You are welcome to come and join Braun 4-H at their practice. They will participate in upcoming NRA matches. You must be accompanied by a parent. For more information call Kristin Milu at 830/429-1893.

Bexar County 4-H Shotgun Club

If you are interested in shotgun shooting (Skeet, Trap, and 5 Stand) and in learning proper techniques associated in shooting sports and proper care and respect for firearms, then this is the club for you. For more information email Don Stephens at dstephens@masonclamims.com.

Shooting Sports Website

If you need any information on any shooting sports contests or events visit <http://shooting sports.tamu.edu>.



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Curriculum and Videos

If you are looking for a publication, please visit the Texas A&M Bookstore at tcebookstore.org. There are also videos available for check out at av-library.tamu.edu.

2007 Source Book

We have the Source Book (4-H Catalog) available in our office. You can order ribbons, awards, certificates, curriculum anything 4-H related from this catalog. Come by anytime to pick one up or order from their website: www.4-hmall.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

District 10 Community Service - Operation Holidays

Operation Holidays is the promotion of health, morale and welfare for our soldiers of the United States of America deployed overseas by sending them care packages for any holiday. Our district has been assigned a list of needed items. Please visit our website or call Pam for a copy of the list. Donations can be dropped off at our office.

Bexar County 4-H Outreach Recycling Fundraiser

The 4-H Outreach Program has an exciting fundraising effort. 4-H Outreach clubs are collecting empty inkjet, laser, copier and fax cartridges for recycling and earn money at the same time.

They are inviting you to donate your ink cartridges and help protect our environment and assist in the fundraising needs of the 4-H Outreach Program. You can drop your ink cartridges off at our office. If you have any questions or need more information contact Mike in our office.

4-H CLUB NEWS

Team K 4-H -

The Team K 4-H monthly business meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. on March 8. Jacob Pursell led the pledge to the American flag Tim Pursell led our 4-H pledge. He also read our inspiration. Micah Walker took roll call. There were no guests. Micah Walker read last month's minutes; they were approved as read. Andrew Tarpley reported that our current bank balance is still \$662.32. For Projects: Mrs. Butts said that everyone who is planning to go on the Capitol Days trip on March 14 must be at Woodlawn Baptist Church in Austin at 8:15 a.m. to register. Mrs. Hamby said that the photography project would be meeting at Trinity College on March 29 to take pictures. Mrs. Barber announced that the camping trip was off, but a fishing trip was

going to be arranged. Mrs. Pursell said that public speaking would begin in May, with an emphasis on Roundup. For Committees: Mrs. Kelly said that she would collect the towels for the vet clinic for community service. She also reported on the trip to the food bank. Mrs. Pursell announced that the County council is collecting unwanted books to give to needy children. We will collect them at our next meeting. Mrs. Givler still has four boxes of candy to sell for fundraising. The scapbook committee needs pictures from any and all projects. Everyone is encouraged to read their newsletter. It has information on running for a county office. Micah Walker moved to adjourn the meeting; Joshua Butts 2nd. We adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

CLOVERS TO

Thank you to the East Central 4-H (Brittany Coble, Sarah Ledwig, Michelle & Holly Bailey, Lexie & Haleigh Ricks and Brett & Ethan Schneider) for helping to fold the April Newsletter.

Congratulations to Victoria Campbell....her t-shirt design was selected for use in the 4-H Conference Center T-shirt Shoppe!

County Fashion Show results enclosed.

County Photography results enclosed.

District Consumer Judging Contest Results

Intermediate Team - 3rd place

Avery Burkholder, Dillion Oatman, Katalina Pruenda

Senior Team - 3rd

Amber Harmon, Victoria Campbell, Rebecca Campbell

Senior 2nd High Overall - Alexandra Hoskins

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.”

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We will seek to provide reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities for our events. We request that you contact our office 2 weeks in advance of the event to advise us of the auxiliary aid or service that you will require.

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS SWINE VALIDATION TAG ORDER-DUE WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

Swine validation for State Fair of Texas will be in June. All hogs to be shown in the State Fair of Texas (Dallas) show must be validated. Cost will be \$8.00 per head. Return the form below and total amount \$\$ by Wednesday, May 9. Make checks payable to **Bexar 4-H Fund**.

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

No. Head x \$8.00 = \$ _____