

# Bexar County 4-H Newsletter

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# DATES HAVE BEEN SET

Dog Trg.	5/6 , 13
Vet Science Workshop	5/14
Volunteer Appreciation	5/15
Project Show	5/18
Horse Leaders Mtg.	5/20
Scholarship Trg.	5/22
Roundup Orientation	5/28
Recordbook/Awards DUE	6/7
Steer Validation	6/21, 25

The goal of 4-H is to provide quality, relevant outreach and continuing education programs and services to the people of Texas.

# **Bexar 4-H Goes to the Dogs**

It was almost two years ago that I attended the Texas 4-H State Dog Show and noticed that there were only two contestants from Bexar 4-H. One of those contestants was Sevanna Stewart, who has been participating in the Dog Care



and Training project for the past 6 years. When she started, she was the only one in Bexar County doing this project. Since then, Sevanna has been working hard to get the dog project growing, and has started a countywide club, The Bexar County Dog Squad.

On April 30, Williamson County was scheduled to have a dog show in Hutto, but unfortunately, the show was cancelled. Although disappointed because for most of them that would have been their first show, the Dog Care and Training group voted to hold a small, club-level dog show in Bexar County instead. In six days, Sevanna put together a show for her club. And even thought it was a small show with only eight contestants, it was a huge success -- and everyone had a blast!



Bexar 4-H currently has 51 youth participating in the Dog Care and Training project

> Check Bexar County Extension website **Updates & Reminders** for the most recent 4-H information



Visit us at Facebook Bexar County 4-H & Youth Development

# Quote of the Month

"Do something wonderful, people may imitate it." Albert Schweitzer

#### HERE'S THE LATEST

#### **Orchid Sale**

The Bexar County Master Gardener Program is selling orchids. Orders are due to our office by **Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**.

# **Dog Project Trainings**

We will be offering basic dog obedience classes for 4-H members interested in the dog project. Please call Laura @ 210-326-9406 to reserve your spot. Next training is scheduled for **Monday, May 6th** at Security & Public Safety Training Institute, 5355 Dietrich Rd, Ste 2. 78219. In addition to training your dog, you will also be learning about dog care and ownership. Classes are free of charge for enrolled 4-H members. Next trainings are scheduled for May 13th, 20th & 27th.

### Get Out and Get Fit!

We need volunteers ages 16 and above to help hand out water at the San Antonio Housing Authority bike ride on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. Bike ride will start at the Alazan-Apache Courts, 1011 S. Brazos and go through surrounding neighborhoods. If anyone would like to ride their bike, you are welcome to join in. Please wear your 4-H shirt. Please RSVP to Desiree at desiree.rucker@agnet.tamu.edu by May 8<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Desiree.

# **Callahan County Archery Shoot**

Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at the Callahan County Shooting Range. Cost is \$20 for one event and \$30 for both (Field Archery and Modified 600). **Deadline is May 8<sup>th</sup>.** For more information contact our office.

#### Texas 4-H Dog Show

4-H members from all over the state, ranging in age from 8 to 18 are welcome to compete. All breeds, including mixed, can compete after they have met the minimum requirements. Dog and 4-H member teams can compete in several different classes, such as: obedience, rally, conformation, showmanship, drill team or costume. Texas 4-H Dog Show will be held July 12-14, in Conroe, Texas. Registration will be done on 4-H Connect through **May 10th.** Rules, guidelines and entry information are available on the State 4-H website at <a href="http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/show">http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/show</a>.

# **Texas 4-H Dog Show Photography Contest**

This contest is open to all 4-H members ages 8 – 18. You do not have to be entered into the Texas Dog Show to enter your photo. Categories include Dog-Still Life, Dog-Active and Dog Storyboard. Cost is \$3 per photo. Registration will be done on 4-H Connect through **May 10**<sup>th</sup>. For rules and guidelines contact our office.

# **Volunteer Recognition Event**

If you are an adult volunteer with the Bexar County 4-H program, we would like to invite you to be acknowledged for your service to the 4-H and Youth Development Program. Mark your calendar for Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at Eisenhower Park, 19399 Northwest Military Highway, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Come and enjoy a meal and a short presentation from the Director of Texas AgriLife Extension Service. Please RSVP to Carrie at <a href="mailto:chuntzinger@ag.tamu.edu">chuntzinger@ag.tamu.edu</a> by **Friday, May 10**<sup>th</sup>.

# 4-H Fundraising Fair

County Council is conducting a "4-H Fundraising Fair" on **Saturday, May 18**<sup>th</sup>, during the judging of the County Project Show. All funds raised will help pay for the dinner at the County 4-H Awards Program. If your club would be interested in organizing an interactive booth at the fair, please contact Bridey at <a href="mailto:bdav96@gmail.com">bdav96@gmail.com</a>. You could do face painting or arts & crafts hands on activity. This is a fun way for club members to get some leadership experience and promote 4-H.

# **Internship Opportunity**

This is a volunteer non paid opportunity to develop job related skills for youth ages 13 – 18. You will help assist Extension Agents plan several camps with budgeting, marketing, planning activities and more. Complete the attached application by **May 24**<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Desiree at 210/467-6575 or desiree.rucker@agnet.tamu.edu.

# **Texas 4-H Volunteer Conference**

Featuring more than 40 educational workshops for adult leaders and parents to learn more about 4-H and projects. Dates are July 12th – 14th in Plano, Texas. Cost is \$150 on 4-H Connect from **April** 15th – June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **Kerr Skeet & Trap Shoot Invitational**

This shoot is for 4-H shooters for American Skeet and Trap, Whiz-Bank and Sporting Clays on May  $31^{st}$  – June  $2^{nd}$ . Registration will be done on I-Clays. **Deadline is May 10<sup>th</sup>.** For rules and registration information contact our office.

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# FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES

# Consumer Decision Making, Fashion, Food & Nutrition

For the latest on consumer decision making, fashion, food, nutrition, and healthy lifestyles contact one of our Family & Consumer Science agents: Connie <a href="mailto:csheppar@ag.tamu.edu">csheppar@ag.tamu.edu</a> or Grace <a href="mailto:gguer-ra@ag.tamu.edu">gguer-ra@ag.tamu.edu</a>

#### SCHOLARSHIPS

#### **Scholarship Training**

Are you planning on going to college??? Mark your calendar the next Scholarship Training on Wednesday, May 22nd, 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H Office in S-208.

#### **Prairie View A&M Scholarship**

The 2013 Prairie View 4-H San Antonio Livestock Exposition scholarship application form is due to-Prairie View by **May 10th**. If you have any questions about this scholarship, contact Dr. Joice Jeffries at (936) 261-5102 or jojeffries@pvamu.edu.



#### **Jason Krueger Memorial Scholarship**

If you are a graduating senior and have exhibited steers in a Texas Steer Shows you are eligible to apply for this scholarship. For guidelines and application contact our office. **Deadline to apply is May 10**<sup>th</sup>.

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#### HORSE NEWS

## **United 4-H Horse Playday**

Friday, May 10th, 6:30 p.m. at the 7AL Ranch.

# **Horse Leaders Meeting**

If you are interested in helping to plan upcoming horse shows or workshops, this is the meeting to attend. Mark your calendar for the next meeting, **Monday, May 20th.** Future meeting date is Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions about the horse project, feel free to contact Cheree'.



#### **District 4-H Horse Show**

The District 10 4-H Horse Show is scheduled to be held June 18-19, at the Guadalupe County Fairgrounds in Seguin. Contact our office for a packet of "Contestant Information" which includes information about registering for the District Horse Show on 4-H Connect, divisions and classes available, fees, map, schedule and more. If you have any questions, please contact Cheree'. **Deadline to register is May 15**<sup>th</sup>

#### LIVESTOCK NEWS

# West Texas Youth Veterinary Science Workshop

This workshop will be held June 2-6 at the Tom Green County 4-H Center in San Angelo and is open to all Texas youth of high school age. Cost is \$360. Topics include: zoology, toxicology, parasitology, anatomy, nutrition, first aid, livestock health management and much more to include classroom study, lab work and field trips. Applications are now available at <a href="http://sutton.agrilife.org/publications/youth-summer-opportunities">http://sutton.agrilife.org/publications/youth-summer-opportunities</a> and due by May 10th. For more information, call the AgriLife Extension office in Sutton County at 325-387-3101.

#### **Vet Science Workshops**

These workshops are open to all ages and are a learning series in the veterinary science project. Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, May 14th** 6:30 p.m. at the Helotes Activity Center. For more information contact Jackie at <a href="mailto:jackiewan-ke@gmail.com">jackiewan-ke@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Steer Validation**

If you will be exhibiting a steer at the Bexar County Stock Show or any major shows, you should have purchased a steer validation tag. There are a couple extra tags available for \$20, first come-first serve. Steer validation dates have been set for **Friday, June 21st,** 4 - 7 p.m. at Bill Zigmonds (2791 Rakowitz Rd.) or **Tuesday, June 25th**, 9 – 11 a.m. at O'Connor High School. If you have any questions, please contact Cheree'.

Club Managers receive email updates once a week on all 4-H happenings. Contact your Club Manager for updated information. You can also read the "Updates & Reminders" on our website at http://bexar-tx.tamu.edu/4H/index.htm.

4-H families receive "Upcoming Events" emails from our office twice a month. These emails include very important information about programs and deadlines. Please read the emails from our office.

#### OUTDOOR FUN

# **Camp Corral**

This free camp is for children (ages 8 – 15) of wounded, disabled or fallen soldiers. The camp will be held at the Texas 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood on July 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>. Registration is on a **first come, first serve** basis at <a href="http://texas4Hcenter.tamu.edu">http://texas4Hcenter.tamu.edu</a>.

#### **Horizons Camp**

Camp dates are June 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> for youth grades 4 – 8. Each camper will select a project learning program, list is available on the State website. This camp will also have lots of fun activities to include dancing, swimming and more. Cost is \$275 which includes all meals, lodging, facility and programming fees. Registration is on a **first come**, **first serve basis** thru June 14<sup>th</sup> at <a href="http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu">http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu</a>.

#### **Youth Entomology Summer Camp**

If you are interested in bugs and other creepy crawlers this is the camp for you. This camp is for youth ages 7 and up. Camp #1 is July 15th – 18th and Camp #2 is July 22nd – 25th from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Cost is \$100 on a first come, first serve basis.

#### iL.E.A.D. Junior Camp

iL.E.A.D. Junior is a leadership development camp for youth ages 8-12. Each day follows the theme of Leadership, Empowerment, Attitude, and Determination. Dates are June  $18th-21^{st}$  from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Santa Fe Church on Brunswick. The last day will be a family dinner that recognizes the youth who participated and have a short etiquette class. Cost is \$5 and is **a first come**, **first serve basis**. Contact Desiree for a camp application.

#### **Prime Time Camps**

There are 2 Prime Time Camps available. Session #1 is July 21<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> for grades 5 – 8 and Session #2 July 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> for grades 2 – 5. Cost is \$225 which includes meals, lodging and facility. Have fun kayaking, arts & crafts, dancing and more. Registration is on a **first come**, **first serve basis** at <a href="http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu">http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu</a>.

#### **County 4-H Camps**

There are 3 camp dates for youth in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. Session #1 is July 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>, Session #2 is July 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> and Session #3 is July 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>. Have fun kayaking, a challenge course swimming and lots more. Cost is \$175 which includes meals, lodging and facility. Registration is on a **first come**, **first serve basis** at http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu.

## Mash Camp

Are you interested in the career fields of safety, health, or medicine? This camp is for you if you are in grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> to be held June 23<sup>rd</sup> -25th at Texas A&M Health Science Center in College Station. This career focused camp allows youth to work with professionals in the areas of medical. athletic, and emergency first-responders in hands -on activities Cost is \$250 per person which includes program activities, lodging and meals. Registration is limited and is a first-come, first serve basis. For more information visit their http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/ website at: healthy lifestyles.

# "FUNtastic" Adventure Camp

Two Adventure Camps are planned for youth grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8th. Mark your calendar for Camp 1-June 26<sup>th</sup> -27th or Camp 2 August 20<sup>th</sup> -21st at the County Extension Office, 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. S-208. Cost for each camp is \$35 per child. Both camps will have hands-on activities, field trips and a take-home package of materials. Field trips include a tour of the Toyota of Texas Assembly Plant, the Witte Museum (Dinosaurs Unearthed) and a behind-the–scenes tour of an HEB. **Registration is on a first come, first serve basis**. Snacks and lunch are provided. If you have any questions contact Mike at meshockey@aq.tamu.edu or: (210) 467-6575.

#### OUTDOOR FUN (CON'T)

# Texas Outdoor Challenge Camp

Do you love the great outdoors? Are you up for a fun, physical and mental challenge? If so, mark your calendars for June 29<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> for this Challenge to be held at the Texas 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood. Grab a friend. Learn, practice, and train to compete in a series of ten outdoor events, and then join us in June to test your knowledge and skills at the Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge! Registration is on a **first come**, **first serve basis**. Check out the web page for contest rules and more details: http://texas4-h. tamu.edu/outdoor.

# **Be Calm and Moove Healthy Camp**

Food is a fact of life, but where does it come from? This camp is for youth ages 9-12. Dates will be July  $24^{th}-27^{th}$  at the Second Baptist Church on E. Commerce. You will explore where food comes from, how the environment affects what we eat, what is nutrition and why we need to exercise. Cost is \$5 and is on a **first come, first serve basis.** If you have any questions, please contact Desiree.



Please don't forget to **conserve water**...every day; even if it rains. If you have any questions about water education presentations, please contact Marti at 210/467-6575.

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

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