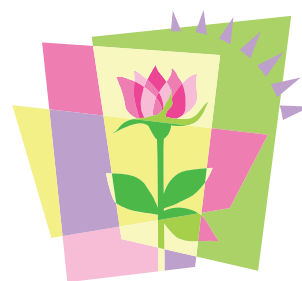




4-H Informer



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- Sign-up to
- Bring Animal Project Records for stock show checks
- Apply for local and area scholarships
- Join a judging team
- Sell

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Dates for Your 4-H Calendar

- April 1 Entry opens online for [State Photography Contest](#) (Ages 14-18)
DEADLINE: Register [online](#) for District Livestock Judging, Fee \$10
District Dairy Judging at Hinders Dairy
- April 2 Clarendon Judging Contests
- April 4 Consumer practice after school
- April 5 Trailblazers Turkey Talk, 4:30 p.m. Guests welcome!
4-H Parents meeting, 6 p.m.
DEADLINE: Submit applications for Marsh Memorial Scholarship
DEADLINE: To order steer tags for 2011-12 show season
- April 8 District Horse Judging at WTAMU (Registration closed)
- April 9 Swisher County Big 5 Horse Show at WT
- April 10 District Trap & Skeet Leader Clinic
- April 11 **DEADLINE EXTENDED:** [4-H Has Talent](#) Entries due at state offices
- April 12 Clothing Club, 4:30 p.m.
Shooting Sports Safety Meeting, 6:00 p.m. **MANDATORY ATTENDANCE!**
- April 13 **DEADLINE:** Register [online](#) for District Clothing contests, Fee \$12
DEADLINE: Turn in Clothing project forms, worksheets or storyboard
Registration opens on 4-H Connect for State Roundup
- April 14 Hereford Stock Show Association annual board meeting, 7 p.m.
- April 15 District Livestock Judging at Nance Ranch
DEADLINE: [State Photography](#) entries ([online](#) & via email)
- April 16 Potter County Big 5 Horse Show at WT
- April 18 Turn in Arts & Crafts Summary Information
Consumer practice after school
Marsh Memorial Scholarship interviews
- April 19 First Shooting Sports practice at Gun Club, 6 p.m.
- April 20 **DEADLINE:** Register [online](#) for District Consumer Contest, Fee \$10
- April 21 Clover Kids for 1st & 2nd graders, 4:30 p.m.
- April 25 Consumer practice after school
County Council, 4:30 p.m.
State Roundup Travel Meeting, MANDATORY, 6 p.m.
- April 30 District Fashion Show at Boys Ranch (**Register by 4/13**)
District Consumer Contest (**Register by 4/20**)
- May 1 **DEADLINE:** Register [online](#) for Entomology ID Contest
- May 2 **DEADLINE:** Applications due for Tri-State Fair Jr. Board
MANDATORY PERFORMANCE: State Roundup presentations
- May 2-3 District Entomology Identification, Amarillo
- May 5 District Leaders4Life Contest
- May 7 Registration closes on 4-H Connect for State Roundup
- May 11 Hereford Club, all ages, all projects, 5-6 p.m.
- May 23



Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge Scheduled for 2011

Mark your calendars for July 9-10, 2011 for the 3rd annual Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge being held at the 4-H Center in Brownwood. Registration will open May 15 and end on June 15.

You and a friend will compete in a series of ten contests to find the best overall outdoors people in the state. You will be challenged physically and mentally. In the end, you will emerge a stronger leader with the confidence to take on any challenge man, beast or nature may throw into your path.

For more information, visit the [website](#) or contact Extension Program Specialists [Derrick Bruton](#) or [Larry Hysmith](#).

SHOOTING SPORTS



Next meeting:

Safety meeting on Tuesday, April 12: Attendance Mandatory for all members. **No exceptions.**

Shooting practice at the Hereford Gun Club begins **April 19** and will be at 6 p.m. every Tuesday afterwards.

SAVE THE DATE: Hereford Trap Shoot, **Saturday, June 11**

The Randall County 4-H Shooting Sports Club will be hosting its annual trap shoot on Saturday, April 30th at the Amarillo Gun Club located at 4521 S. Osage. This shoot is for any registered 4H member. Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. Awards will be given 1st - 5th place in Trap, Modified Trap & Skeet, 1st place for Adult/Child and 2-Man Trap, and High Overall. Door Prizes will be given to all shooters. For more information, contact Greg Curry at 674-8788.

2011 Photography Contest Rules Available On-Line

Senior-level entries in the 2011 Texas 4-H Photography contest are being accepted online **now through April 15**. The rules have MAJOR changes related to both the categories and the submission process of the photographs. Their photography categories for 2011 will be:

- ANIMALS - WILDLIFE
- ANIMALS - DOMESTIC
- ELEMENTS OF DESIGN
- NATURE & LANDSCAPE
- DIGITAL DARKROOM
- THEME: Clovers
- NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY
- PEOPLE
- MARINE/AQUATIC
- PLANT/FLORA
- DETAILS & MACRO
- FOOD
- DOMINANT COLOR
- CATCH ALL

All photographs will be submitted electronically through e-mail (or 4-H CONNECT pending feature being added). Everyone participating in the photography contest is strongly advised to read the new rules completely.

Rules can be found at the [Texas 4-H Photography website](#).

4-H Consumer Education Project:



Weekly practice
To begin soon.
Call Jackie to sign up.

Join us for practice Mondays:
April 4, 11, 18, 25

Learn how to compare:

Bottled Water	Credit Cards
Digital Photo Frames	Sunscreen
Laundry detergent	Backpacks

District Contest:
Saturday, April 30 at Boys Ranch



Texas 4-H Roundup — June 13-16
College Station

Talkin' Turkey April 5



On Tuesday, April 5, Trailblazers 4-H will host "Strut Your Stuff and Talk Turkey," a session on the biology of Rio Grande turkeys of the Panhandle, and a chance to learn basics of turkey calling. The program is open to 4-Hers, all interested youths and adults.

The program is set for 4:30 p.m. at the Texas AgriLife Extension Service office.

Veteran hunter and wildlife biologist Gene Miller of Canyon, regional biologist for West Texas and Oklahoma with the National Wild Turkey Federation, will bring the program. He'll talk about wild turkeys in the Panhandle, what makes them tick, what they eat, and where they sleep.

Miller will also deliver pointers on how to call up a wild turkey tom in the springtime, and give hands-on instruction in turkey calling technique with slate and box calls that will be provided for 4-Hers and audience members to try out.



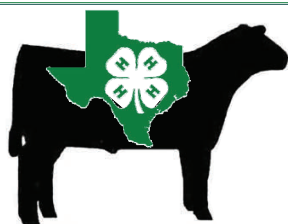
Horse Validation Forms Due April 29

Friday, April 29th is the local office deadline for a 4-H'er to validate a horse by turning in their forms (including Coggins) and fees. May 1st is the State's deadline for 4-Hers to validate a horse, which certifies that the project is owned by the 4-H'er or their sibling, parent, grandparent or legal guardian. The process validates that the horse is owned and not leased or borrowed.

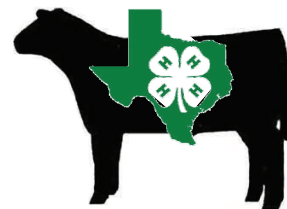
Horses not validated on or before May 1 are ineligible for District and State 4-H Horse Shows. (The local Extension office is closed on Sunday, May 1, and staff will not be available.)

Each 4-H horse project validated by a 4-H'er must be accompanied by a \$10 fee, of which half will go to the District 4-H Horse Show and half to the State Office. A form must be filled out by the 4-Her for each horse being validated. CEA office personnel will collect those forms and a check from each 4-Her for \$10/horse.

Annual meeting of Hereford Livestock Association, Thursday, April 14, 7 pm



It is time to order **Steer Validation Tags** for the 2011-2012 year. The deadline to order is **April 8, 2011**. The cost is \$10 per tag for each tag ordered, used or not.



District 1 Livestock Judging Contest

April 15 - WTAMU Nance Ranch

Call 364-3573 today to sign-up!

Registration: By April 1 via [4-H Connect](#)

Registration Fee: \$10

Check In Time: 9:00 a.m.

Contest: 10:00 a.m.

Awards: 3:00 p.m.

Awards Presentation: Ag and Natural Resources Building, 1st Floor, WTAMU

2011 Texas 4-H Roundup Registration Packet Released

Information regarding registration for 2011 Texas 4-H Roundup is now available online at the [Texas 4-H Roundup Website](#). Information includes: Registration dates, registration costs, housing costs, invitational contests, featured entertainers and other important pieces of information. Visit the Texas 4-H Roundup site to check out the packet.

Deaf Smith County youth who will be giving educational or Share-the-Fun presentations will be required to perform their state entries on **May 2 and 3rd** for office staff. All presenters must be fully memorized and posters/slideshows must be in finished form. If you need help with preparation, contact our office.

A block of hotel rooms has been reserved for our county at the College Station Fairfield Inn. If you want a room at the discounted rate, call the hotel directly at **1-979-268-1552** and ask for a room in the Hereford 4-H block. Our County Travel Meeting will be on the evening of **April 26** and **all State youth contestants are required to attend.**

STATE 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS: Important Dates to Remember:

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| April 4-8 | Applications are judged. |
| By April 15 | Interview selection notification sent to applicant. |
| May 13-15 | Interviews and Final Selection in Austin (required in order to receive a scholarship). Travel expenses are the responsibility of the applicant. |
| June 13 | Scholarships awarded at Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station. (Presence Required; no exceptions) |

Let's go to Junior Leader Lab!

Junior Leadership Camp, for 4-H members ages 9 to 13, offers a variety of interesting and fun opportunities. 4-H members will participate in hands-on activities, community service projects, guest speakers, and more. Afternoon and evening activities are organized for the entire group to promote teamwork and fun.

Camp Theme: "4-Hero"

May 31- June 2, 2011

SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE – LEVELLAND

Cost: \$147 per camper for lodging & meals
REGISTRATION: Open on [4-H Connect](#) March 28-April 15

Topics: *Outdoor Challenge, Outdoor Grilling, Dairy Foods, Food Science, Archery, Wind Energy, Gardening/Horticulture, Minute to Win It, Character Education, Flower Making, Fashion Story Board, Jewelry*

Recreation: *Tournaments, games, board games and movies, special leadership workshops*

Hereford Stock Show Exhibitors:

Reminder: Your 4-H Animal Project Records are due in our office before you can receive your stock show checks.

Major Stock Show Results: 4-H Winners

SAN ANTONIO:

Jr. Market Steers: Trace Dodd participated

HOUSTON:

Junior Market Steer Show:

Charolais— Hayden Carlson's Light-Weight Steer placed 2nd

Chianina—Hannah Urbanczyk's Heavy Light-Weight Steer was 7th

Junior Market Swine:

Duroc— Johnathan Brummett, Class 67, 9th; Tyler Brumett, Class 68, 3rd

Also showing livestock at Houston:

Ashley Brummett, Sherrye Buchanan, Emily Marnell, Dylan McGinty, Darren Schlabs and Hank Urbanczyk

District 4-H Retreat & Elections

The 2011 District 1 4-H Leader Retreat is scheduled **June 1-3**, at Frank Phillips College in Borger. District 1 Council Officers, including State Council Delegates, will be elected at the retreat. Area 4-Hers must be 14 years old as of the retreat date. Applications for officers must be submitted **by May 23** to the Texas AgriLife Extension Service office in your county. Registration is via [4-H Connect](#).

Clothing projects here for you now

District Clothing Contests

April 30 at Boys Ranch:

- Fashion Show
- Natural Fibers contest
- Arts & Crafts Show (No entry fee required)
- Fashion Storyboard (Has replaced Design portfolio)

Registration open on [4-H Connect](#) until April 13

Entry fee: \$12

COUNTY DEADLINE: By 5 p.m.

April 13

Due in County office: All Fashion Show project records, Natural Fibers Worksheet and Fashion Storyboard. Arts & Crafts summary information due to Jackie by April 18.



Call the office to sign up for the Clothing & Textiles project and attend the monthly Clothing Club meetings, led by Debbie and Abbie Arroyos.

All 4-H parents:

You're invited to meet
6:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 5
4-H Office, 903 14th St.

We will be discussing upcoming contests, officer elections, fundraising, achievement banquet, and scholarships. Because 4-H is a "family affair," we encourage your participation so that you will have a better understanding of the opportunities available to your child through 4-H programming.



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**For information about
upcoming contests,
visit the**

District 4-H website

**and click on “Events”
(right side of the page)**

4-H Calendar (Continued from Page 1)

May 23	DEADLINE: Applications due for District Council Officer elections
June 1-3	District Leader Retreat & Council Officer Elections, Borger
June 6-7	Fishin' & Fun, Greenbelt Lake, Clarendon
June 10-11	District Horse Show, WTAMU Horse Center
June 11	Hereford Trap Shoot at Hereford Gun Club
June 13-17	Texas 4-H Roundup, Texas A&M University
June 17	District Photography Workshop
June 24-25	District Trap & Skeet Shoot, Amarillo Gun Club
July 7	District Record Book Judging (Register by 6/27)

Lost & Found

Green fleece jacket, size medium, with *Muleshoe Riders* lettering, found after the Clover College arts and crafts workshop. Come by the Extension office to claim.

Dear 4-H Friends,

A sincere “thank you” to each of you for your wonderful generosity. Whether you gave openly or anonymously, we want all of you to know what it means to us.

Please know that all of the money will be spent wisely. And, although with any fire, some things can never be replaced. But for those that can, your giving will help us make that possible.

Thank you for caring.

Love,

Nancy & Larry Bryant



4-H Clubs

**HEREFORD 4-H CLUB— ALL AGES,
ALL PROJECTS**

**Next Meeting: Monday, May 23,
Special Guest Speaker!**

CLOTHING PROJECT —

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 12,
4:30 p.m.**

FOOD & NUTRITION PROJECT —

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April
13, 3:30-5:30 p.m. @ Knight's home**

HORSE PROJECT — April 9

Swisher County Big 5 Horse
Show at WT ; **April 16** Potter
County Big 5 Horse Show

RABBIT PROJECT— TBA

SHOOTING SPORTS 4-H CLUB —

**Next Meeting: MANDATORY AT-
TENDANCE 6 p.m. Tuesday, April
12. Program: Shooting Safety**

SHOWMANSHIP CLUB — No meet-
ings during show season

TRAILBLAZERS— Next Meeting

**4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 Pro-
gram: Talkin' Turkey**

**CLOVER KIDS— Next meeting: 4:30
p.m. Thursday, April 21**

No **VET SCIENCE** this month