



4-H Informer

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- Re-enroll for 2011-12
- Bring plastic sacks & egg cartons for Food Pantry
- Get ready for District Roundup on Dec. 3
- Put Project Show, Dec. 17, on your calendar
- LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS: Local stock show set up will be Jan. 7, tear down Jan. 15

Dates for Your 4-H Calendar

Wednes.	Nov. 30	Last day to sign up for Gingerbread Workshop—Fee: \$15
Saturday	Dec. 3	District Roundup @ WTAMU District Gold Star banquet in Canyon
Sunday	Dec. 4	Gingerbread House Workshop, 2-4 p.m. (Sign-up by Nov. 30)
Thursday	Dec. 8	Set up for Project Show at Little Bull Barn Shooting Sports, 7:00 p.m.
Monday	Dec. 12	District Scholarship Training in Amarillo, 6:30 p.m. Register here
Tuesday	Dec. 13	Clover Kids for 1st & 2nd graders, 4:30 p.m.
Wednes.	Dec. 14	Food & Fun Club, 4:00 p.m.
Friday	Dec. 16	4-H Christmas Party, 7-9 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 17	County Project Show, Little Bull Barn,
	Dec. 23-26	Christmas Holiday – Office closed
Wednes.	Jan. 4	Record Book Workshop, 5:30-6:30 p.m. <i>New Information!</i>
Saturday	Jan. 7	Set up for Hereford Stock Show @ Bull Barn (required)
Monday	Jan. 9	Shooting Sports, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Jan. 12	DUE DATE: State 4-H Scholarship apps for County review (optional)
	Jan. 13-14	Hereford Stock Show at County Bull Barn
	Jan. 13-Feb. 4	Fort Worth Stock Show
Sunday	Jan. 15	Tear down local Stock Show (required)
Monday	Jan. 16	Stock Show Premium Sale at HISD Administration Building

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4-H Christmas Party

7:00-9:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, at 4-H Office



COMMUNITY SERVICE: Bring sugar or flour as admittance into the Christmas party. Those without donated items will need to bring \$3.00 for admission. Proceeds will go to Hereford Food Pantry.

CHINESE GIFT EXCHANGE: Bring a gift in a bag (\$5 or under; gender neutral)

REFRESHMENTS: Bring your favorite snack/finger food to share with everyone.

Shooting Sports Projects:

Keep an eye on the [website](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/natural_resources/index_natural_resources.php), http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/natural_resources/index_natural_resources.php, too! A whole host of updates and changes will be unveiled very soon! In the meantime, here are a few upcoming dates for your calendar:

- **Headquarters Coach Training**—College Station, January 21-22, 2012 Register on 4H Connect through January 6, 2012
- **2012 Postal Leagues** (Excluding Shotgun Leagues) Registration Open on 4H Connect November 1-December 16, 2011

Wildlife Education & Sportfishing Education Projects:

Learn about the exciting opportunities offered--and the many more to come!--in 4-H Wildlife Education and Sportfishing Education! The Wildlife Habitat Education Program, the 4-H Roundup Wildlife Contest, Sportfish Quizbowl, Sportfish Camp and much, much more! Dates and information on Regional Trainings and 2012 contests will be announced soon on the website!

2012 Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge

Derrick Bruton, Extension Program Specialist

Are you up for a challenge? Do you love the great outdoors? If so, mark your calendars for June 30-July 1, 2012 for the 4th annual Texas 4-H Outdoor 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 that will challenge you physically and mentally. Are you the ultimate Texas Outdoor Challenge team? Join us next summer to find out!

Stay tuned for further contest details and announcements next spring. Visit our website at: www.tinyurl.com/tx4hoc If you have questions, please contact Derrick Bruton (d-bruton@tamu.edu).



TEXAS 4-H OUTDOOR CHALLENGE

Family Traditions Gingerbread House Workshop

Join us for a fun afternoon of:

- The history & traditions of making Gingerbread Houses
 - Starting your own family traditions
- Gingerbread House baking & decorating techniques
 - Decorating your own Gingerbread House

Registration:
\$15.00 per person

Sunday, December 4th, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Deaf Smith County Extension Office
903 14th Street, Hereford

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, November 30th
806.364.3573 or jrfarrell@ag.tamu.edu



Congratulations Corner

14 Headed to 4-H RoundUp

We have a terrific group of teams and individuals who presented informative and entertaining entries at County Roundup. All 14 youth have qualified to compete at District Roundup on Dec. 3 in Canyon. We wish you all the best of luck with your Public Speaking performances.

PUBLIC SPEAKING WINNERS:

Seniors:

Sherrye Buchanan & Darren Schlabs
FCS Open-Consumer, *Farmers' Markets*

Emily Marnell STF Celebrate 4-H
Emily's Bench

Jens Broman Safety (*Welding*)

Richard Knight Computer Technology
(*BCI: Empowering Brainwaves*)

Paula Adams STF Musical – piano

Joanna Louder STF Musical – piano

Juniors:

Jack Detten Natural Resources - *Playas*

Hayden Carlson Open Agriculture
No-Till Farming

Thomas Keeling & Caden Victor -
Safety—*Surf Safe: Internet Safety*

Marco, Alejandro & Veronica Mata -
Family Life—*Unplug & Reconnect*

Special Thanks to our judges: Georgia Auckerman, Jim Steiert, and Gerald & Denise Marnell.



Congratulations to our County Food Show winners, who learned about nutrition and food preparation, in addition to practicing important interview skills. Special thanks to our Food & Fun Club Managers Emily Knight and Tamara Mimms for their dedication to and encouragement of the youth in this program.

County Show:

Seniors: Emily Marnell, Main Dish;
Sherrye Buchanan, Nutritious Snacks

Intermediates: Kara Esquivel, In-
door/Outdoor Grilled, Main Dish; **Sab-
batha Taylor**, Open Party Theme; **Dia-
mond Taylor**, Salsa

Juniors: Rachael Detten, 1st, Cupcakes;
Alejandro Mata, 1st, Salsa; Anita Knoll,
1st, Main Dish; Marie Knoll, 1st, Open

Party Theme; Macie Mimms, 1st, Soup; Ash-
leigh Carlson, 2nd, Soup; Veronica Mata,
3rd, Soup.

District Show:

Competing at District on Nov. 19 in Bushland
were: Emily Marnell, who placed 3rd,
Rachael Detten, Kara Esquivel, Anita
Knoll, Marie Knoll, Macie Mimms.

You all did a great job!



2012 HEREFORD LIVESTOCK SHOW



Schedule

Saturday, Jan. 7th — Set up

9:00 a.m. Set up at Bull Barn (All exhibitors and a parent are required to assist in set up and clean up)

Thursday, Jan. 12th

5:00 p.m. Pigs weigh, classify and move into barn

Friday, Jan. 13th

4:00 p.m. Goats and sheep weigh, classify and move into barn

6:00 p.m. Pig Show

Saturday, Jan. 14th

9:00 a.m. Rabbit Show

1:00 p.m. Sheep and Goat Show

Heifer and Steer Shows immediately after

Sunday, Jan. 15th — Clean-Up

1:00 p.m. Clean up at the Bull Barn

Monday, Jan. 16th — Sale

5:00 p.m. Children will be fed at the HISD Building

5:30 p.m. Group picture

5:45 p.m. Open doors to public and begin serving

County Project Show

Saturday, Dec. 17

4-H Record Book is changing!
It will be simpler for younger members.

Come to the workshop

5:30-6:30 p.m. Jan. 4th

Call 364-3573 to sign up!

**For information about up-
coming contests, projects
and opportunities, visit
the**

District 4-H website



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4-H Recipe Rally

Courtney Dodd, Extension Program Specialist

Want to know more about the 4-H Recipe Rally? An online training video for the 4-H Recipe Rally is now available at: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/healthy_lifestyles/index_healthy_lifestyles.php (under the Recipe Rally section).

JOIN 4-H ON OUR SOCIAL NETWORKS

For the latest news between newsletters from the Texas 4-H and Youth Development join us on Facebook and Twitter. These two networks are our way of keeping you up-to-date and informed on the latest news, information and happenings from the state level.

Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

November 2011 — Release of 2012 Application
November – December Applicant complete FAFSA and receive report
December 12 — District Scholarship Training in Amarillo, \$15 per person
January 12 — Application due to County Office for review (optional)
February 6 — Complete Application due to County Office (Final)
February 10 — Applications due to District Office
February 24 — Applications due to State 4-H Office
April 13 — Interview selection notification
May 4-6 — Interviews in Austin, Texas

Dear Kerrie,

Just a note to thank you for making the arrangements in getting the 4-H young people (for the Senior Citizen Festival of Trees dinner). They did a superb job with the serving and clean-up. The dinner theatre was so nice and very enjoyable with their help.

It is good to know we have a lot of fine young people becoming good citizens and willing to help and serve.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Juanita Coker

4-H Calendar

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Thursday	Jan. 19	Clover Kids, 4:30 p.m.
Monday	Feb. 6	Final DEADLINE: Submit State 4-H Scholarship Shooting Sports, 6:00 p.m.
	Feb. 9-26	San Antonio Stock Show
	Feb. 28-March 18	Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo



4-H Clubs

HEREFORD 4-H CLUB— ALL AGES, ALL PROJECTS — 4-H Christmas Party , Friday, Dec. 16, 7-9 pm

CLOTHING PROJECT — TBA

FOOD & NUTRITION PROJECT — Club meeting on Dec. 14.

HORSE PROJECT — TBA

RABBIT PROJECT— No program in December

SHOOTING SPORTS 4-H CLUB — Program on Thursday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. Pick up raffle tickets to sell.

SHOWMANSHIP — Club meeting on Nov. 29, 6 pm

TRAILBLAZERS WATER PROJECT— No program in December



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DECEMBER 2011



4-H: Making the best better

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 District Roundup, Canyon Gold Star Banquet, WT
 4 Gingerbread House Workshop, 2-4 pm	5	6	7	8 Set up for Project Show 6 pm, Li'l Barn Shooting Sports, 7 pm	9	10
11	12 District Scholarship Training, 6:30-8:30, Amarillo	13 Clover Kids, 4:30 pm	14 Food & Fun, 4 pm	15	 4-H Christmas Party 7-9 pm	17 County Project Show, Little Bull Barn, 10 am
18	19	20	21	22	23 County office closed for holidays	24
 25 Merry Christmas!	26 County office closed for holidays	27	28	29	30	31 Happy New Year!
Class of 2012: Be working on scholarships! Apply for FAFSA Apply for college admission						

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 New Record Book Workshop, 5:30	5	6	7 Set up for Stock Show Bull Barn 9 am
8	9 Shooting Sports, 6 pm	10	11	12 State Scholarships due County Review	13 Stock Show: Goat entry Pig Show	14 Stock Show: Rabbit, Goat, Sheep, Steer, Heifer Shows
15 Tear down Stock Show Bull Barn 9 am	16 Premium Sale, HISD Administration Building	17	18	19 Clover Kids, 4:30 pm	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				