



# 4-H Informer



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March 2011

- Sign-up to help at Little Miss Hereford Pageant
- Bring Animal Project Records for stock show checks
- Apply for local and area scholarships
- Join a judging team
- Sell shotgun raffle tickets to support Shooting Sports

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## Dates for Your 4-H Calendar

- March 1-20 Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo <http://hlsr.com/>  
 March 8 Clothing Group, 4:30-6 p.m.  
 Shooting Sports, 6 p.m. Program: African Safari (One more week of raffle sales)
- March 9 Food & Nutrition, 3:30-5:30 p.m., 1911 Plains  
 March 10 Last chance to sign up for *Fun in the Kitchen!* Cost: \$10 per person  
 March 14 **Shooting Sports DEADLINE: Last day** to turn in raffle money  
 Last chance to sign up *Arts & Crafts* fun! Cost \$15 per person  
 Registration opens for 4-H Summer Camps  
 Star of Texas Rodeo in Austin <http://www.rodeoaustin.com/>
- March 11-26 HISD Spring Break  
 March 14-18 Clover College: Fun in the Kitchen, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Cost: \$10 per person  
 March 15 Clover College: Arts & Crafts, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Cost: \$15 per person  
 March 17 **Postmark deadline:** Apply for state invitational [Vet Science Skill-A-Thon](#)  
 March 18 Horse project group, 6:00 p.m. Agenda: Complete Big 5 packets  
 March 21 Clover Kids for 1st and 2nd graders, 4:30 p.m.  
 March 24 **DEADLINE:** Register [online](#) for District Horse Judging  
 March 25 4-H Clothing Story Board Workshop in Pampa, 1 p.m.  
 March 26 **DEADLINE:** Register [online](#) for District Dairy Judging, Fee \$10
- March 26-27 State Horse Reining Clinic at Glen Rose ([www.reiningintexas.com](http://www.reiningintexas.com))  
 Shooting Sports Leader Certification, Lubbock
- March 28 Consumer practice after school  
 April 1 Entry opens online for [State Photography Contest](#) (Ages 14-18)  
**DEADLINE: 4-H Has Talent** Entries due at state offices  
**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 4-H Parents meeting, 6 p.m.  
**DEADLINE:** Submit applications for Marsh Memorial Scholarship  
 District Horse Judging at WTAMU (**Register by March 25**)
- April 8 District Trap & Skeet Leader Clinic  
 April 10 Clothing Club, 4:30 p.m.  
 April 12 Shooting Sports Safety Meeting, 6:00 p.m. **MANDATORY ATTENDANCE!**  
**DEADLINE:** Register [online](#) for District Clothing contests, Fee \$12  
**DEADLINE:** Turn in Clothing project forms, worksheets or storyboard
- April 13 Hereford Stock Show Association annual board meeting  
 April 14 District Livestock Judging at Nance Ranch  
 April 15 **DEADLINE:** [State Photography](#) entries ([online](#) & via email)  
 April 18 Turn in Arts & Crafts Summary Information



## 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](#).

## 2011 Photography Contest Rules Available On-Line

The 2011 Texas 4-H Photography Rules have been released for the upcoming contest. 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](#).

## SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB MEMBERS:

**Sell all of your Shotgun raffle tickets**  
**Money due: March 14th.**

**Next meeting:** March 8th at 6:00 p.m. with Doug Benson sharing his hunting experiences in Africa, his trophy animals and the guns used in his safari hunts. This should be a fun meeting. Bring raffle ticket money! All members must sell all of their raffle tickets. Ticket money and ticket stubs should be turned in at the March 8th meeting, if possible.

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

**Shooting practice** at Gun Club begins April 19 and will be every Tuesday afterwards.

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

## 4-H Consumer Education Project:



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

**Join us for practice Mondays:**  
**March 28, 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

## Storyboard Workshop

The Gray County Clothing and Textiles Committee, would like to invite 4-H members to a [4-H Fashion Story Board](#) Workshop scheduled for **Saturday, March 26**, at the Gray County Annex in Pampa. The workshop will begin at 1:00 p.m. It is time **now** to call the local 4-H office to sign up to attend.

***The Fashion Storyboard contest has replaced the Fabric & Fashion Design contest. There will be no interview in this contest.***

Sarah Schwab, a former Gray County 4-H member and graduate of Texas Tech University will be there to teach the workshop. Sarah graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Fashion Design and Master's Degree in Business. She is currently the Alteration's Manager at David's Bridal in Lubbock. Sarah has been teaching Fashion Design classes since she was a sophomore in high school. The current plan is for the 4-H members to create a story board at the workshop.

Please let Jackie know **by Wednesday, March 23**, if you are interested in attending so that transportation can be arranged.



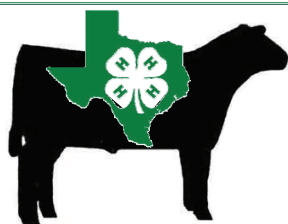
## Horse Validation Forms Due April 29

**Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** is the local office deadline for a 4-H'er to validate a horse by turning in their forms (including Coggins) and fees. May 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

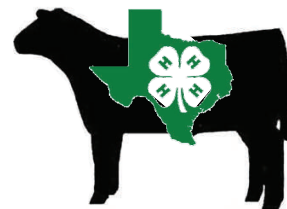
**Horses not validated on or before May 1 are ineligible for District and State 4-H Horse Shows. (The local Extension office is closed on Sunday, May 1, and staff will not be available.)**

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, 6 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 3 via [4-H Connect](#)

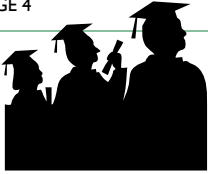
Registration Fee: \$10

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



# Scholarship School



## STATE 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS: Important Dates to Remember:

- 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)

## Helpful Resources:

[Scholarships and College](#)

[State 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Guidelines](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[TEEA Scholarship](#)

[FAFSA](#)

[College Answer](#)

[College For Texans](#)

[Peterson's Planner](#)

[2010-11 Compendium of College Aid & Calendar](#)

[College Searches and Financial Aid](#)

[Texas Common Application](#)

[The Princeton Review](#)

## Other Scholarships:

[Panhandle Dairywomen](#) (Deadline: April)

Many [local scholarships](#), check with your school counselor

Jim Marsh 4-H Memorial (Deadline: 4-5/11)

Your college/university

## 4-H Veterinary Science Skillathon Is Back

Attention all 4-H Veterinary Science project groups!

Are you looking for another project experience or place to show off the skills you've learned in your project? It's here!

The 4-H [Veterinary Science Skillathon](#) will once again be held at Texas 4-H Roundup in June 2011.

- This will be a written exam, hands-on skills contest and quiz rounds.
- You must have been enrolled in a structured veterinary science project using curriculum for at least one

full calendar year. Enrollment will be certified by the County Extension Agent.

- There is an application process. Your application must be submitted to the state and postmarked **by Friday, March 18.**
- Applications are open to Intermediate and Senior-aged Texas 4-H members.
- The contest will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2011 at Texas 4-H Roundup.
- Applicants will be notified by April 1, 2011.

## 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

## FORT WORTH:

**Angus Heifers:** Cutter Pohlman won his class and division which included over 300 registered head.

**Jr. Market Steers:** Darren Schlabs, 2nd in Class; Also showing were Caitlyn Gee, Jonathan Gee, Emily Marnell, Hank Urbanczyk, Hanna Urbanczyk, Dylan McGinty.

**Open Rabbits:** Samantha Lookingbill

lais Steer won 2nd in class, 3rd best overall and an \$8,000 scholarship. Also participating were Dylan McGinty, Emily Marnell, Hanna Urbanczyk and Hank Urbanczyk.

**Jr. Market Barrows:** Duroc—Tyler Brummett, 3rd in Class; Also participating was Darren Schlabs.

**Ag Public Speaking:** Joanna Louder was a 9th place finalist. Also participating was Emily Marnell in Beef.

## SAN ANGELO:

**Angus Heifers:** Cutter Pohlman, 3rd  
**Open Rabbits:** Emily Turpen, Samantha Lookingbill

**Jr. Market Barrows:** Jens Brorman, Ashley Brummett, Tyler Brummett

**Jr. Market Lambs:** Jack Detten

**Jr. Market Steers:** Dylan McGinty, Hanna Urbanczyk, Hank Urbanczyk

## SAN ANTONIO:

**Jr. Market Steers:** Darcy Dodd's Charo-



*Congratulations to all exhibitors!*



## Hereford 4-H Cares

# Support our deployed troops!



The local 4-H program will be collecting gift items for U.S. soldiers who are currently deployed in service to our country. Details of the county-wide campaign are available from Service Chairman Emily Marnell.



## Livestock Judging contests are around the corner.

If you are interested in participating, call the 4-H office, 364-3573, to sign up.

Adult volunteers are needed to coach team members.

## 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, fundraising, achievement banquet, and scholarships.*



# Jackie's Corner



By Jackie Farrell, CEA—FCS

- **Practices for the Consumer Decision Making Contest** will start on Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> after school. Other practice dates include: Monday, April 4; Monday, April 11; Monday April 18 and Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> – all after school. If you are interested in competing at the District Consumer Judging Contest on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, let Jackie know so teams can be formed. You may also enter as an individual in the contest if you would prefer not to be on a team. Juniors – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade/age 8 by August 31, 2010 - 10, Intermediates 11-13, and Seniors 14-18.
- **Congratulations** to Deaf Smith County 4-H District Food Show participants. The District 1 4-H Food Show was held on Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at Bushland High School. In the Senior Breads & Cereals category, Joanna Louder placed 4<sup>th</sup>; in the Senior Fruits & Vegetables category, Robin Smith placed 4<sup>th</sup>; in the Senior Nutritious Snack category, Abbie Arroyos placed 1<sup>st</sup>; and in the Junior Breads & Cereals category Brynna Rudd placed 6<sup>th</sup>. Great job Deaf Smith County 4-H'ers!
- **Reminder: Fashion Storyboard Workshop** in Pampa to be held on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. – Cost will be approximately \$17.00, registration will be available soon. Contact Jackie by Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> if you need a ride to Pampa.
- **Clover Colleges** to be held during spring break. Save the dates...Tuesday, March 15 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. will be Fun in the Kitchen. We will learn about menu planning, how to prepare foods, kitchen safety, cooking fun, table etiquette and tasting/eating – we will be making our lunch that day as part of Clover College. Cost is \$10.00 and the registration deadline is Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. Tell your friends – you don't have to be a 4-H member to attend Clover College. On Thursday, March 17 from 9:00 – 2:00 will be Arts and Crafts. We will tie-dye a t-shirt (bring a washed, plain white t-shirt), embellishing a photo frame, painting a clay pot, creating a 4-H magnet, decorating a gift bag and more. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Cost is \$15.00 and the registration deadline is Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. Come join the fun! Call the Extension office to register or pick up a registration form at the office. Let Jackie know if you have any questions.
- **Community Service Opportunity:** Hereford Community 4-H Club is collecting clothing and shoes (adults and youth); household items – small appliances, towels, dish soap, cleaning supplies, dishes, pots, pans, silverware, laundry soap; toiletries – soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, mouthwash; and bottled water for the wildfire victims in Amarillo. Donations can be dropped off at the Extension office between 8:00-12:00 and 1:00-5:00 Monday –Friday. Donations will be collected through Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Jackie at the Extension office with any questions.
- **Community Service Opportunity:** Hereford 4-H Council is collecting items for packages to send to soldiers. Items list includes: Heat resistant candy, writing paper/envelopes, pens/pencils, floss, toothbrushes, toothpaste, instant coffee, tea mixes, gum, pop-tarts, tuna kits, board games, playing cards, CDs, DVDs, books, baby wipes, foot powder, hairbrushes, nail clippers, Q-tips, sunscreen, plastic spoons, zip-lock baggies, flashlights, batteries, duct tape, fly swatters, socks, etc. Please visit [operationshoebox.com](http://operationshoebox.com) for a complete list of suggested items. Please contact Jackie at the Extension office or Emily Marnell, 4-H Community Service Chair with any questions. Donations can be dropped off at the Extension office between 8:00 – 12:00 and 1:00 – 5:00 Monday – Friday.

## 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.



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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)

April 18	Consumer practice after school
April 19	First Shooting Sports practice at Gun Club, 6 p.m.
April 20	<b>DEADLINE:</b> Register <a href="#">online</a> for District Consumer Contest, Fee \$10
April 25	Consumer practice after school
April 30	District Fashion Show at Boys Ranch <b>(Register by 4/13)</b>
April 30	District Consumer Contest <b>(Register by 4/20)</b>
May 1	<b>DEADLINE:</b> Register <a href="#">online</a> for Entomology ID Contest
May 2	<b>DEADLINE:</b> Applications due for Tri-State Fair Jr. Board
May 5	District Entomology Identification, Amarillo
May 7	District Leaders4Life Contest
June 1-3	District Leader Retreat & 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 <b>(Register by 6/27)</b>

## 4-H Has Talent! Do you?

Do you have what it takes to be a star? Have you always pictured yourself performing on the "Big Stage?" If so, the 2011 Texas 4-H Roundup 4-H Has Talent Competition is for you. Get the chance to show your skills on stage in front of nearly 3,000 fellow 4-Hers, parents/volunteers, and 4-H faculty. So sing a song, do a dance, tell a joke or just do something unusual!

Submit YouTube videos to [Kyle Merten](#) by April 1, 2011. For complete details, visit the [Texas 4-H Roundup website](#).

## SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Summer Camp registration begins March 14! County Camp, Prime Time, Bits, Bots & Bytes and SpecTra - check the [website](#) for more details on the camp of your choice.



## 4-H Clubs

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

Next Meeting: Monday, March 28,  
5-6 p.m. at 4-H office.  
Bring items for US Soldiers  
Program:

**CLOTHING PROJECT — Clover  
College Arts & Crafts March 17, 9  
a.m.-2 p.m.** Next Meeting: Tues-  
day, March 8, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

**FOOD & NUTRITION PROJECT —  
Clover College March 15, 9 a.m.-2  
p.m.** Next Meeting: Wednesday,  
March 9, 3:30-5:30 p.m. @  
Knight's home

**HORSE PROJECT — Next Meeting  
Monday, March 21.** We will be  
working on paperwork for Big 5.

**RABBIT PROJECT— TBA**

**SHOOTING SPORTS 4-H CLUB —  
Next Meeting: 6 p.m. Tuesday,  
March 8.** Program: African Safari  
with Doug Benson. Last chance to  
sell shotgun raffle tickets.

**SHOWMANSHIP CLUB — No  
meetings during show season**

**CLOVER KIDS— Next meeting:  
4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 24**

**No VET SCIENCE or TRAILBLAZERS  
this month**



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# MARCH 2011

4-H: Making the best better

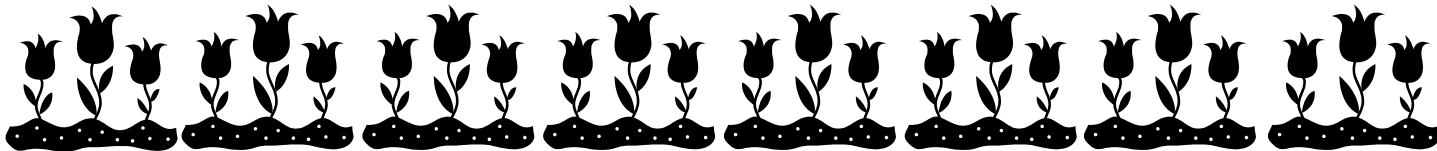
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# APRIL 2011

4-H: Making the best better

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 District Dairy Judging at Hinders Dairy	2 Clarendon Judging Contests
3	4 Consumer after school	5 Parents Assn. 6 pm All parents welcome	6	7	8 District Horse Judging, WTAMU	9
10	11 Consumer after school	Clothing, 4:30-5:30 pm MANDATORY-Shooting Sports, 6 pm	13 <b>DEADLINE:</b> Clothing contest forms & registration	14 Hfd Stock Show Annual Meeting 6 pm	<b>DEADLINE:</b> 15 State Photography entries District Live-stock Judging	16
17	<b>DEADLINE:</b> 18 District Arts & Crafts form Consumer after school	19 Shooting practice, 6 pm Gun Club	20 <b>DEADLINE:</b> District Consumer registration	21	22 <i>Extension office closed for Good Friday</i>	23
24 	25 Consumer after school Hereford Club 5-6 pm	26 Shooting practice, 6 pm Gun Club	27	28	29 <b>DEADLINE:</b> State Horse Validation, Coggins, fees	Boys Ranch 30 District Consumer contest District Fashion Show

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