



Nolan County 4-H Newsletter

National 4-H Congress

DATE: November 26th—December 1st

PLACE: Atlanta, Georgia

AGE: 14-18 on September 1, 2008

DEADLINE: April 15, 2009

Youth will be selected to participate in the 2009 National 4-H Congress to be held in Atlanta Georgia. The nation's most outstanding community leaders, speakers and educators present the most current and timely information available. Cost estimate for 2009 are approximately \$1,400.00 per delegate, this might fluctuate depending on airline prices. Every effort will be made to lower the final costs, which will be determined at a later day.

Photography Project

DISTRICT CONTEST: Junior/Intermediate

DATE: April 9th

DEADLINE: APRIL 1ST

A District 4-H Photography Contest will take place on April 9th. Photos will be sent but 4-H members do not have to be present to participate

STATE CONTEST: Senior Members only

DEADLINE: April 1st

All photographs to be entered in the District and State Photography Contest must be in the Nolan County Extension Office by **April 1st**. Photography Project Guides are available at the County Office which contains complete rules and guidelines. If you have any questions, please contact LynnAnn at 235-3184.

March 2009

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Are you interested in completing a 4-H Record book this year but you don't know where to start? We would like to host a Record book training for beginners. Call 235-3184 if you are interested!!



4-H Council Meeting

DATE: March 4, 2009

TIME: 6 PM

PLACE: Conference Room, Courthouse 3rd Floor

County 4-H Camp



DATE: July 9th—10th (Tentative)

PLACE: 4Presbyterian Encampment, Buffalo Gap, TX

Come join the FUN! 4-Hers' of all ages from Jones, Sterling, Shackelford, Coke and Nolan Counties will participate in an overnight camp this year. Campers need to have been in 4-H at least one (1) year. This is a great time to make new friends or see friends you haven't seen in a while.

Leadership Lab

DATE: June 29th — July 2nd

PLACE: Leadership Lab, Aspendale Mountain Retreat Center, Cloudcroft NM

Participants must be 13 years old. Remember, this is where District Officer's are elected! We need a good delegation to help those from Nolan County that are running.

Texas State Youth Water Camp

DATE: July 12th—16th

PLACE: Monahan, TX

COST: \$150

AGE: High School Age and Adults



Participants must have an interest in water quality and conservation and be willing to participate as team members during the week long camp. The camp is limited to 15 boys, 15 girls and 15 adults. Call or come by the Extension Office for further information.

Spectra 2009

DATE: July 27th — 31st

PLACE: 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood

COST: \$300

AGE: No younger than 14 and no older than 18 as of July 17, 2009



Registrations will begin to be processed on February 1st. Approximately 20 hours of training in 1 of 8 project areas is the foundation of the Spectra Program. The project areas are Agriculture & Natural Resources, Culinary Arts, All Things Leadership, Health Profession, Photo Communication, Outdoor Education, Aquatics, Fashion Design and Theater Arts. For further information call or come by the office or visit <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu> and click on Summer Camps.

Prime Time 2009

DATE: Session I — July 19th—22nd (age 12-13)
Session II — July 22nd -25th (age 9-11)

PLACE: 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood

COST: \$205

Registration will be conducted on-line via the 4-H connect system. Registration will be accepted on a first come first served basis until the camp is filled. For further information call or come by the office or visit <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu> and click on Summer Camps.

Texas Brigade Youth Camps

The core curriculum for all the camps stresses leadership development and conservation of our natural resources. The camps fashion these skills into fun and interesting activities that focus on a particular game species at each camp. The game animals form the nucleus for the camps which typically involve 30 youth ages 13-17 years old.

This year's camps are:

Rolling Plains Bobwhite Brigade, June 20 to 24

South Texas Buckskin Brigade, June 14-18

Bass Brigade, June 13-17

South Texas Bobwhite Brigade, June 28-July 2

North Texas Buckskin Brigade, July 19-23

East Texas Feathered Forces, July 26-30



These camps offer you a great introduction to wildlife. The camps also introduce you to a network of wildlife professionals who can be helpful to you on down the road.

If interested please visit www.texasbrigade.org or call the office for further information.

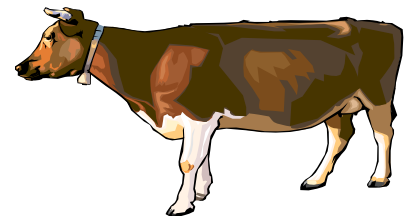
East Texas Beef Camp

DATE: June 18th-20th

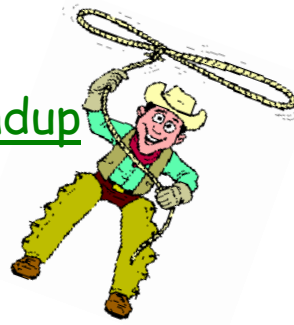
PLACE: Canton, TX

DEADLINE: June 5, 2009

The following is a brief overview of the topics to be covered at the camp: Animal Selection, Animal Nutrition, Showmanship, Breeding, Halter-breaking Techniques, Show Ethics & Beef Quality Assurance, Fitting, Beef-Skill-A-Thon and National Animal Identification System. For more information please call or come by the Extension office.



District 4-H Roundup



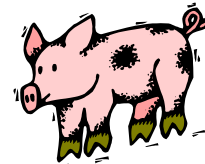
DATE: May 2, 2009

PLACE: San Angelo

Call Office by March 27th

Nolan County is responsible for securing one (1) judge for District Roundup. We are asking for a parent or leader to volunteer. This is a wonderful educational opportunity. Please contact the Extension office by March 27th and let us know what contest you plan to enter at the District 4-H Roundup. This will allow us to hold any training and competition necessary for interested 4-Hers'. Selected Share-The-Fun teams/individuals will be performing during the Awards ceremony. They will be selected by their superintendent.

Swine Skill—A—Thon



DATE: May 2, 2009

PLACE: San Angelo

A regional contest will be held in San Angelo on Saturday, May 2nd. This is a **STATE 4-H ROUNDUP QUALIFYING EVENT**. The top 3 Seniors in the District will advance. This is a contest that test your knowledge and skills of a swine project. There will be 4 aspects of the competition: Quiz Bowl, Skills Test, Knowledge Test, and Oral Presentation. If interested call LynnAnn at 235-3184.

Texas 4-H Futurity Horse Program

May 1st — Deadline for nominating yearlings, two-year-olds and three-year-olds for the Texas Futurity Horse program. Categories include yearling halter, yearling long line, two-year-old western pleasure and three-year-old stock horse. The futurity project is intended for older, more experienced 4-Hers' who have acquired the skills necessary to manage, handle and train a young horse. This year, all 4-Hers' who nominate futurity projects will have to be 12 years or older as of September 1, 2008 which is the start of the current 4-H year.

If interested call or come by the office.



Meat & Livestock Judging

If you want to participate in the Livestock Judging or Meats Judging projects call the office at 236-6912. Practice will begin in March. Call today and sign up.

District 4-H Rifle Contest

DATE: Saturday, April 4, 2009

PLACE: Brown County Youth Fair Show Barn
Highway 377 South towards Brady
Brownwood, TX

DEADLINE: March 23, 2009

Registration will be on-line this year beginning March 9th thru March 23rd. We will need to know as soon as possible if you will be going. Entry fees are \$7.50 per contestant and must be paid when registering online. Since the County 4-H Council will pay these fees arrangements will need to be made.

AGE DIVISIONS: Contestant ages are as of August 31, 2008 and divisions are as follows:

- Senior 14-19 (Youth must not have reached their 19th birthday on or before August 31)
- Intermediate 12-13
- Junior 8 and in the 3rd grade or 9-11

COUNTIES MAY SEND:

- 3 Senior Teams
- 3 Intermediate Teams
- 3 Junior Teams
- Individuals—unlimited



*No Mixing of age divisions on teams. All members of a team must be in the same age division.
Each county is responsible for two (2) door prizes.*



Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences

Annual Open House

Saturday, April 25, 2009

9 AM—4PM

Open House is free, open to everyone and does not require prior registration. Call 235-3184 for more information or visit their website at:

www.cvm.tamu.edu/openhouse

Singing Of National Anthem

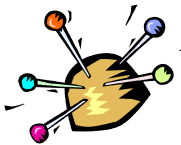


DATE: June 9th–12th

PLACE: During Texas 4-H Roundup

DEADLINE: April 27th

Texas Roundup will showcase three 4-H members or groups of 4-H members each day for the singing of the National Anthem during the General Assemblies. Video tapes, along with contact information are due by May 1st to College Station. Call 235-3184 for more information.

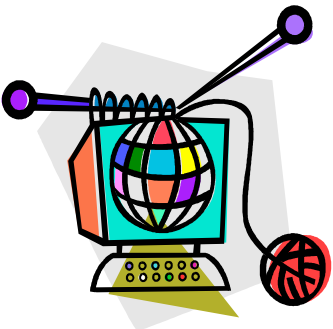


District 4-H Fashion Show-Senior Division



CALL OFFICE BY: April 27th If interested call LynnAnn at 235-3184 for information.

Websites of Interest



State Horse Newsletter: <http://animalscience.tamue/index.html>

State 4-H Shooting Sports Newsletter: <http://shootingsports.tamu.edu>

Texas 4-H Website: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu>

Texas 4-H Record Books: <http://tx4-h.tamue.edu/recordbook>

4-H Project Areas: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/project/projectlist.html>

Nolan County Extension Homepage: <http://d74-h.tamu.edu>

4-H Club News

Blackwell 4-H Club: No information available at press time.

Sweetwater 4-H Club: No information available at press time.

Shooting Sports Club: Member are welcome to come out any Sunday afternoon (around 2PM) and practice (there is a small charge) - adult supervision required.

Call Roger/Vicki Bowen at 235-4564 for more information.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- ASAP Call 235-3184 if interested in attending a Record book Training for beginners
- ASAP Howard JR College Lamb & Goat Camp registrations due
- ASAP Participation for Meat & Livestock Judging call Extension Office
- ASAP Send in your registration for Prime Time or Spectra 2009
- Mar 2 West TX Fair & Scholarship Applications due in Abilene
- Mar 2 Lone Star Ag Credit Scholarship Applications due in Fort Worth
- Mar 4 4-H Council Meeting, Conference Room, Courthouse 3rd Floor
- Mar 11 Call LynnAnn if you want to enter the District 4-H Rifle Contest
- Mar 23 Deadline entry for Rifle Contest, Shooting Range, Brownwood
- Mar 27 Deadline for entry District 4-H Roundup
- Apr 1 Photography entries are due in office
- Apr 4 District Rifle Contest, Indoor Shooting Range, Brownwood
- Apr 9 District photography entries will be judged
- Apr 17 Deadline to enter Swine Skill-a-Thon
- Apr 15 Deadline to apply for National 4-H Congress
- Apr 23 District Consumer Decision Making Contest, Coleman
- Apr 25 Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences Open House
- Apr 27 Last day to call LynnAnn if interested in entering the District 4-H Fashion Show - Senior Division
- Apr 27 Deadline to apply for Singing of National Anthem at Texas 4-H Roundup
- May 1 Deadline for nominating yearlings, 2 & 3 olds for the TX 4-H Futurity Horse Program
- May 2 District Swine Skill-a-thon, Angelo State University, San Angelo
- May 2 District 4-H Roundup, San Angelo

St. Patrick's Day



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