



GILLESPIE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER



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**THE EXTENSION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY,
 MAY 30TH FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY.**

DEADLINES

The following things are due to the Extension Office no later than 5pm on **Monday, June 27th**:

Project Record Forms (available at the Extension Office and on our website <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > 4-H > Project Forms/Recordbooks > Projects).

Record Books – forms and guidelines can be found on our website <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > 4-H > Project Forms & Recordbooks > Recordbooks.

Silver Star & Gold Star award applications (available at the Extension Office and on our website <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > 4-H > Awards & Scholarships > Awards)

List of Club Officers for 2016-2017 – send to Extension Office
List of Club Managers for 2016-2017 – send to Extension Office



DISTRICT 10 4-H LEADERSHIP LAB

Registration deadline is May 24th, 2016 on 4-H Connect
 (<http://texas.4honline.com>)

When: June 22-24, 2016

Where: Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood, TX

Ages: 13 yrs. +

Cost: \$200.00 (NOTE: Gillespie 4-H Adult Leaders will pay half of this cost, cost to participants is \$100.00). Please enter "4H Check" as your payment option and then bring \$100.00 check to Extension Office along with the Health & Release Form.

No graduating seniors who are ineligible to participate in 4-H for the 2016-2017 4-H year may attend. Current officers who are graduating are allowed to attend. **Registration will be conducted on 4-H Connect May 2 – 24th, 2016.** NO LATE REGISTRATION will be available so please plan ahead.



DISTRICT 10 COUNCIL OFFICER APPLICATIONS

The election of officers for the District 10 4-H Council will take place at the Texas 4-H Center during Leadership Lab, June 22-24, 2016.

To be eligible for an office, 4-Hers must have attended District Leadership Lab at least one year prior to running for office. Qualified delegates interested in seeking Council office must apply by completing the application on the District 10 Website starting May 2, 2016 and

Submitting **no later than MAY 31, 2016.** Applications will be accepted online only and it is the candidate's responsibility to ensure their application was received. Application can be found at <http://d104-h.tamu.edu/district-4-h-council/>.

Candidates will participate in a question/answer session in front of the voting delegates following speeches. Candidates will be sent a list of potential questions in May. Each candidate will be asked 2 questions from the list and one question that is not on the list. This will provide an opportunity for the voting delegates to see how well candidates think on their feet.

Candidates who apply will be allowed to bring ONE poster board size (22 inches X 28 inches) campaign poster to Lab! No other campaign materials will be allowed, i.e. candy, flyers, gum, etc.

REQUIRED WORKSHOPS/TRAINING

The District Council President, 1st Vice-President and Delegate-at-Large also serve as members of the Texas 4-H Council and must be 16 years of age and not reached their 19th birthday on or before August 31, 2016. In addition, they must be a student in 10th, 11th, or 12th grade the year they are serving on council.

State Council Members are required to attend the State 4-H Council workshop. If you cannot attend this training you cannot run for these three offices.

- State 4-H Council Workshop July 25-28, 2016 Texas 4-H Center, Brownwood

All other officers must be 14 years of age and not reached their 19th birthday on or before August 31, 2016. All District 10 Officers are required to attend the District 10 Officer Training.

- District 10 Officer Retreat July Location TBA



CLUB OFFICER ELECTIONS & CLUB MANAGER SELECTION

Now is the time to start thinking about who the new officers & club managers will be for your club! Be sure to think about who is the most qualified for each position. A description of each position can be found on our website: <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > 4H > Club Manager Resources. Please submit your new officers' and club managers' names to the Extension Office by **Monday, June 27th**! You can list the new officers on your club minutes, or you can submit them separately if you wish. If you have any questions regarding elections or need ideas for officer installation, please contact Taylor at the Extension Office at (830)997-3452



WHAT IS A PROJECT RECORD FORM?

One of the 4H mottos is "Learn By Doing", and project record forms are a way to teach 4H'ers about the preparation, process, and conclusion of a project. This activity asks 4H'ers of any age about the goals, planning, costs, profits, record keeping, and results of a project. There are separate forms for a project involving animals and one for non-animal projects. Projects do not have to be completed in the 4H setting.

Projects can consist of tending a home garden, taking photographs, raising an animal, judging, fashion show, food & nutrition, acting, public speaking, etc... (the possibilities are endless!!!). Those who submit a project record form by the June 27th deadline will receive a project pin at the annual 4H banquet. Only one project pin can be received each year.

Forms are available at the Extension Office and on our website: <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > 4H > Project Forms & Recordbooks > Projects. Please contact Carly Jenkins if you would like for a form to be emailed to you.



WHAT IS A RECORDBOOK?

4-H record books are a tool in learning record keeping skills that will last a lifetime. In the 4-H record book, 4-H members record information about participation and accomplishments in all 4-H projects and activities. There are many categories in which to enter a 4-H record book; from beef to breads; from fashion to foods; from poultry to public speaking. 4H members will also receive a project pin in the category that they choose to do a recordbook in. Word and pdf formats for recordbooks are available on our website: <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > Project Forms & Recordbooks > Recordbooks. Covers are available at our office for \$3.00 each. Those who complete recordbooks are much more prepared to apply for 4H scholarships their senior year of high school.



WHAT IS THE SILVER STAR AWARD? WHAT IS THE GOLD STAR AWARD?

The silver star award is the highest award that a 6th, 7th, or 8th grader can receive, and the gold star award is the highest award that a senior level 4H'er can receive. Both awards can only be received one time throughout a 4H career.

To apply for a silver star award, one must submit a silver star award application, a one-page 4H story, a project form or recordbook, and must have been enrolled in 4H for at least two years.

To apply for a gold star award, one must complete a recordbook, submit a gold star application form, and meet all other award requirements.

A full description of the requirements for both awards is listed on our website: <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > Awards & Scholarships > Awards.



STATE 4-H ROUNDUP

June 6-9, 2016 in College Station, TX

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 13th

If you qualified for State 4-H Roundup by competing in a District Roundup Contest (i.e. entomology, meats, public speaking, educational

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presentation, Share The Fun, and you are a senior level 4H member, then you need to register for State 4-H Roundup through 4-H Connect <http://texas.4honline.com>. Adult Leaders will cover the registration fees for all qualifying participants, so please enter "4H Check" as your payment option.



STATE 4-H ROUNDUP INVITATIONAL CONTESTS

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 13th

If you plan to attend Roundup by participating in an invitational contest, you must register on 4-H Connect by Friday, May 13th. Adult Leaders will not cover the registration fees for invitational contests, so please enter your credit card information for payment. **NOTE: Youth may not participate in more than one contest per day.**

The following contests do not require individuals to qualify at district level contests. Contests are open to all 4-H members who are in the 6th – 12th grades as of the September 1, 2015 school year. Invitational contests include:

- 4-H Fun Run / Walk
- Agriculture Product Identification
 - Archery
- Discover Scientific Method Research Poster Competition - \$1000 scholarships awarded to top winners in senior categories
 - Healthy Lifestyles
 - Hippology
- Invitational Livestock Judging
- Invitational Meat Judging and Identification
 - Livestock Skill-a-thon
 - Poultry Judging
 - Swine Quiz Bowl
 - Wildlife Challenge

NOTE: Those individuals qualifying to participate in the state level Livestock Judging Contest and Meat Judging Contest MAY NOT participate in the Invitational Livestock Judging Contest or Meat Judging Identification Contests.

State 4-H Roundup Workshops

If you are interested in attending a workshop during Texas 4-H Roundup, then you will need to register for State 4-H Roundup on 4-H Connect (<http://texas.4honline.com>) for the days that you are planning to attend. The workshops that will be offered at this year's Roundup are:

- Ag Product ID..Easy as 1-2-3
- ATC Rider Safety Course
- The Basics of Dorper Sheep
- Farm Service Agency: Youth Loan Workshop
- Fishing Extravaganza
- Food & World Culture
- International Opportunities in 4-H
- Meat Science Grilling Workshop
- Roundup Leadership JAM!
- Social Media Strategy
- Texas Turfgrass Industry
- Choose a Major – Change Your Future!
- Scholarships & Financial Aid
- HELP "ApplyTexas" College Essays Writing
- Photography Judging

DISTRICT ROUNDUP CONTEST RESULTS

**Results for District Public Speaking, Share the Fun, Educational Presentations, and Fashion Show will be released in June newsletter

Entomology

Mark Millhouse – 5th place in the junior division

Meat Judging

Senior Team – 1st place overall

Eric Koennecke – 5th place high individual, Dylan Sione - 2nd place high individual, Blake Tatsch – 3rd place high individual

Intermediate Team – 3rd place overall

Raab, Daniel – 5th high individual, Meier, Mason – 8th high individual, McCarver, Connor – 14th high individual, Mohr, Stran – 17th high individual

Kruse, Caleb – 18th Individual

Livestock Judging

Gillespie County Senior Team #1 – 1st place overall

Reed Sultemeier – 1st place high individual, Lindsey Behrends – 10th place individual, Preston Crenwelge – 13th place individual, Mason DeLong – 28th place individual

Gillespie County Senior Team #2 – 9th place overall

Caleb Behrends – 19th place individual, Kaiden Itz – 34th place individual, Holt Vestal – 39th place individual

Gillespie County Senior Team #3 – 11th place overall

Brant Bowers – 20th place individual, Anabelle Cope -30th place individual, Eli DeLong – 41st place individual

Gillespie County Intermediate Team #1 – 3rd place overall

Kayla Feller – 2nd place individual, Klay Feller – 26th place individual, Faith Geistweidt – 11th place individual

Gillespie County Intermediate Team #2 – 5th place overall

Wyatt Geistweidt – 4th place individual, Jacob Jenschke – 35th place individual, Caleb Olfers – 17th place individual

SHOOTING SPORTS



Cooke County 4-H 3-D Archery Tournament

When: May 28, 2016

Where: Gainesville, TX

2016 Cooke County 3-D Archery Tournament information packet and registration form can be found on our website:

<http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > 4H > Shooting Sports. Adult class is limited to coaches, parents, and/or guardians of 4-H members. Outdoor 10 Target 3D Course 1 arrow @ varying yardages for all ages (per 4H rules) and 5 Field Target 4 arrows per target. Total of 30 arrows will be shot for this tournament.

HORSE



DISTRICT HORSE SHOW

Date: June 14-15, 2016

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Location: Uvalde, TX

Registration Deadline is May 13, 2016 on 4-H Connect (<http://texas.4honline.com>)

The District Horse Show is open to any 4-H member who has validated their horse in the current 4-H year. The District Horse Show includes all qualifying events. In order for a 4-H member to advance to State in a division, the 4-H member must compete in at least one class in that division at the District Horse Show. There are no open classes offered at the District 10 4-H Horse Show. **A futurity project horse *must be shown at District*** in order to qualify for a futurity division at the State Show.



TEXAS 4-H HORSE PROJECT LEADER TRAINING

When: June 3, 2016

Where: Bell County

As many of you are aware, we are beginning a Horse Volunteer Leader Training Program, which we hope will reach all 12 Districts across the state within the next 12 months. We are beginning with the first such program in Bell County on June 3rd, 2016. We would like to limit the numbers to no more than 40-45 attendees in order to promote individual involvement in the learning sessions. The cost is \$60 to attend, which includes 3 meals and over \$100 worth of teaching aids. Registration for the training will be through 4-H Connect.



TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H & OPEN HORSE SHOW

When: May 20-21st

Where: Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene, TX
3rd-12th graders can participate. For event flyer visit our website: <http://gillespie.agrilife.org> > 4H > Horse

HUNTING & WILDLIFE



KERR COUNTY 4-H GRASS ID, RANGE JUDGING, WOOL & MOHAIR JUDGING INVITATIONAL CONTESTS

When: Saturday, May 7th

Where: Kerr County Youth Event Center
Ages: 3rd – 12th graders (Junior, Intermediate, & Senior Teams)
Times: Grass ID – 9:00am, Range Judging – 9:00am, Wool & Mohair – 1:00pm

Put a team of 3-4 together or compete as an individual. There is no limit to the number of teams or individuals who can compete from each county. No early registration required.



WILDLIFE HABITAT EDUCATION PROJECT STATE CONTEST

When: June 25-26, 2016

Where: Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde, TX

The Texas 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) is an interactive program that teaches youth about wildlife, habitat management, and natural resources stewardship.

This contest is open to any enrolled 4-H member across the state with all age divisions represented. The WHEP State Contest is held annually in June in a different part of the state each year so a different ecological region can be explored and studied each year. This contest uses the current WHEP Manual posted on the 4-H Wildlife webpage and the specific Rules and Procedures written and posted for this contest. The contest is designed for each age division in 4-H; Junior, Intermediate, and Senior. The contest is held outdoors in wildlife habitat as described in the Rules and Procedures.

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/wildlife-fisheries/>

(scroll to 'Resources' and choose '2015 Edition WHEP Manual')

REGISTRATION PROCESS: May 1 - June 13, 2016

Registration is completed online through 4-H Connect (<https://texas.4honline.com>).

Registration deadline is June 13, 2016. Registration fee per individual youth contestant is \$25.

Youth Participant: This registration is only for youth who will be contestants in this event.

Coach: This registration is only for coaches of WHEP teams/individuals.

This registration is designed for coaches to list their teams by age divisions so that registered youth contestants can be arranged in teams on the official scoring template and provided for in terms of appropriate answer sheets and materials. There is no registration fee for coaches.

Only one coach registration is required per county to list teams.

Additional details will be sent to each registrant after registration closes in June.

For more information contact lhysmith@tamu.edu. Or at 979-845-1214.



ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

The Gillespie County 4-H program and the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service supports the Texas Education Code requirements to be labelled as an official "extracurricular activity". Please keep in mind that in all 4-H competitive events 4-H members must be eligible to compete. This applies regardless of the day or time during the week the event is held.

Eligibility requirements apply to all 4-H members whether they are enrolled in public, private or home school. Eligibility is determined by the school, not the county Extension agent. Parents should address questions about a student's eligibility to the school.

LIVESTOCK UPDATES



LIVESTOCK PROJECTS

If you want for Taylor Osbourn or Brad Roeder to come and look at your livestock projects, call the Extension Office and set up an appointment.

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Gillespie County Youth Livestock Show Grievance & Suggestion Meeting

Gillespie County Youth Livestock Show board of directors will host their annual meeting **Wednesday, May 18th at the New FHS Ag building located at 119 Hollmig Ln. beginning at 7 p.m.** The meeting is open to all volunteers of the show and parents of youth who exhibit livestock at the Gillespie County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show. Volunteers and parents can voice their suggestions and concerns on how to improve the youth show.

The meeting will adhere to several procedures:

Each individual who wants to speak must sign up prior to the meeting. Sign-up will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the New FHS Ag Building on Wednesday.

Each person will be given five minutes to speak and share their suggestions and concerns in the order they signed up. After all have been given their turn to speak, the general public will be excused and the board of directors will continue with their regular meeting.

Persons with questions about the annual meeting are asked to contact an agricultural science teacher at Fredericksburg or Harper High Schools, the County Extension Agents or any member of the board.

Also, interested persons are invited to stop by the New FHS Ag building at 119 Hollmig the night of the meeting.



STEER VALIDATION

When: Monday, June 20th

Where: Gillespie County Fairgrounds

Time: 9:00am – 12:00noon

Validation for all steers going to each stock show during the 2016-2017 season. Please do not arrive any earlier than 8:30am. A parent must be present to sign the ethics policy.



HEIFER VALIDATION FOR 2016 FALL SHOWS OR CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

When: Monday, June 20th

Where: Gillespie County Fairgrounds

Time: 9:00am – 12:00noon

Cost: \$10.00 per heifer (we will collect this at validation)

***You must bring original registration papers in owner's name to validation!!!!**

If you are planning to show a heifer at a major stock show, then that heifer must be validated. Also, if a heifer has been validated previously, and the ownership has changed, then it must be re-validated. If you are planning to show a heifer that has been previously validated and the ownership has not changed, then she will NOT need to be validated again. **You must bring the original registration certificate with you to validation.** Please contact Taylor at 830-997-3452 if you have any questions about heifer validation. A parent needs to be present at validation to sign ethics policy.



STATE FAIR VALIDATION

When: Monday, June 20th
Where: Gillespie County Extension Office
Time: 3:00 – 6:00pm

Validation for all species other than steers for the State Fair. If you are taking steers to the State Fair, you will need to bring them to Steer Validation earlier in the day. A parent needs to be present at validation to sign ethics policy.



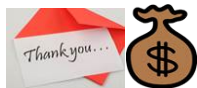
GILLESPIE COUNTY YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW BUYERS LISTS – THANK YOU NOTES

Buyer's lists from the 2016 Gillespie County Youth Livestock Show are now available. All 4H members who sold an animal at the GCYLS auction will need to write thank you's to their buyers. You can get a copy of your buyer's list from the Extension Office. We have also been informed that buyer's lists for Harper area participants have been brought to the Harper area for distribution.

What do I need to do once I pick up my buyer's list?

- 1) Write a thank you note to each buyer on your list (unless it has been crossed out by hand)
- 2) Bring completed thank you notes in unsealed, stamped envelopes and we will check to make sure that a note has been written for each buyer on your list
- 3) Pick up your GCYLS sale check. The Stock Show Board has not released these checks to our office yet, but we will notify you whenever we receive them. It might be several more weeks before the checks will be delivered to our office.

*You can bring thank you notes before we have the checks, or you may bring them whenever the checks have arrived at our office.



LIVESTOCK SHOW BUYERS LISTS & CHECKS

We have the following materials from the livestock shows:

- Gillespie County Youth Livestock Show – buyer's lists & checks
- Hill Country District Junior Livestock Shows – buyer's lists, floor checks, * auction checks (* auction checks need thank you notes)
- Kerr County Youth Livestock Show – buyer's lists and checks
- San Angelo Livestock Show – floor checks, prize money checks, placing checks (San Angelo will mail premium checks directly to exhibitor's homes)
- San Antonio Livestock Show – floor checks, turkey checks, sale checks, and premium checks (we have them all!)
- Houston Livestock Show – floor checks
- Rodeo Austin – floor checks, auction checks



MARKET POULTRY PRODUCTION & SELECTION WORKSHOP

When: May 7, 2016
Where: Location: Thomas G. Hildebrand, DVM '56 Equine Complex in College Station, TX
Time: 8:30 – 3:00pm.

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Register Online: <http://agriferegister.tamu.edu>

\$60.00 per person or family

This workshop provides an excellent opportunity to "hear the experts" and work alongside Texas' major poultry judges. Educational activities include in-depth discussion on: brooding, management, sanitation and feeding programs and selection and processing methods for broilers, turkeys and roasters. Also "hands on" practice in early culling and selecting, handling your birds during the show and "putting together" show pens. For more information, please contact Dr. Greg Archer (garcher@poultry.tamu.edu or 979-845-4319).
Onsite Registration: opens at 8 AM.
Onsite or Late (after 4/27/16) registration – \$90 per person or family

FOOD & NUTRITION



Backyard Basics – Kids' Kamp

When: June 21-23rd
Ages: 3rd grade +

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm each day

Join us as we tour Chocolat and learn how quintessential chocolates are created in Fredericksburg. The next day we will have fun with food in Kerrville. And the last day we will cast our lines, catch a few fish, and learn how to build a fire and techniques to grill at Joshua Springs Park in Boerne. Registration deadline is June 8th at the Extension Office. Cash or check payments of \$40 for all 3 days or \$15.00 will need to be paid by the June 8th deadline. Lunch is included with the registration fee each day.



TEXAS 4-H HEALTHY LIFESTYLES AMBASSADOR APPLICATION

Applications for the Texas 4-H Healthy Lifestyles Ambassador Program are now being accepted. You can access the online application, which will be available through Friday, May 27th.
https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dnTHJ6RPtqe05VP

The purpose of the 4-H Healthy Lifestyles Ambassador Program is to coordinate educational events that will provide learning opportunities for the development of leadership and effective citizenship related to the healthy lifestyles projects.

Requirements and Application Information:

- To apply to serve as a 4-H Healthy Lifestyles Ambassador, youth must be at least 15 years old at the beginning of the 2016-2017 4-H year (as of 8-31-16).
- Ambassadors will serve a two-year term, with terms beginning in the summer prior to the start of the 4-H year (Summery 2016).
- Ambassadors may serve consecutive terms but must re-apply if they wish to renew membership.
- Ambassadors are required to participate in an ambassador training, which will take place July 6-8, 2016. Registration fee for the ambassador training is \$200 per person.
- Ambassadors are expected to attend all face-to-face and online meetings as well as complete the plans and submit reports as required. Specific ambassador requirements, including hours, leadership or program

efforts, and community service projects) will be outlined at the ambassador training.

- Any costs associated with participating in ambassador trainings and/or meetings, including travel, registration fees, etc., are the responsibility of each individual ambassador.
- Ambassador applications will be accepted now through Friday, May 27th.
- Those selected to serve as an Ambassador will be notified by Friday, June 17th.

OTHER 4-H NEWS



TEXAS 4-H STATEWIDE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT – ELI'S FUND

Eli, a bomb-sniffing military working dog was assigned to US Lance Cpl. Colton Rusk. In December 2010, Lance Cpl. Rusk was killed by sniper fire in Afghanistan. Eli, ever faithful to his handler was left depressed and alone. He would not leave Lance Cpl. Rusk's cot at the base for several weeks. In February 2011, Lance Cpl. Rusk's family in South Texas was allowed to adopt Eli. The College of Veterinary Medicine has pledged to cover all of Eli's veterinary care for the rest of his life. The CVM established Eli's Fund as a source of financial support for active duty service men and women, medically retired veterans' service animals and retired military animals.

Therefore, Texas 4-H has set a goal of raising \$15,000 for this cause. Through June 2016, Texas 4-H Council challenges all 4-H members and families to financially donate to Eli's fund. 4-H clubs can collect donations, have a bake sale, a car wash, or other event; the collected funds would then be donated online to

<http://vetmed.tamu.edu/giving/opportunities/elis-fund>. The Moore Family from Corpus Christi has made a \$5000 Eli's Fund Challenge Award available. These funds will be disbursed in the amount of \$2500, \$1500, and \$1000 respectively to the top 3 counties raising funds for this effort.

The UPS Store

FREDERICKSBURG UPS STORE OFFERS DISCOUNT TO GILLESPIE COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS

The UPS Store will offer FREE copies to ALL Gillespie County 4-H youth that can show a valid and current 4-H Grows Membership card at the counter. This is for color and B&W copies only, for any school related material (homework, projects, reports, etc). The first set of copies (color or B&W) are free of charge. If the student has an error and needs to reprint their copies, the cost 50% of the store fees. This offer is good for ANY SIZE color or B&W copies.

The student MUST show their membership card in order to receive the discount. They can bring the file in on a thumb drive or they can email the copies to store4964@theupsstore.com if they would like to save some time. This is effective immediately and will expire June 1st, 2016.

If you do not currently have your membership card, please check with your club managers to see if he/she has a card for you. If the club managers are out of membership cards, then they will contact the Extension Office to request more membership cards.

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TEXAS 4-H EVENTS

The announcements in this section are taken directly from the Texas 4-H and Youth Development office's "Texas 4-H Standard" monthly newsletter. The entire publication can be found by visiting their website <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/news>.



Submit your video story about how 4-H has changed you and you may be featured at a national 4-H meeting!

As part of the NAE4-HA Conference that the Texas and Louisiana Associations of Extension 4-H Agents are hosting this October in New Orleans, we are asking for video testimonials from our 4-H youth. The testimonials would include members' thoughts about 4-H and how it has impacted them. Videos need to be no longer than 2 minutes and recorded in highest quality possible. Submit your video via email to Toby Lepley at t-lepley@tamu.edu and be sure to include your first name, last name, age, and county in the body of your email, and attach your video testimonials as an attachment. Videos must be submitted by May 16th. Below are a few prompts for your testimonial:

4-H Is...

4-H Provides...

Through 4-H I Have Learned...

My 4-H Role Model Is ___ Because ___...

My Favorite 4-H Experience Is...

4-H Has Helped Me...



ITEMS NEEDED AT STATE 4-H ROUNDUP FOR SILENT AUCTION

A silent auction has been conducted at Texas 4-H Roundup the past few years and it was coordinated by the Texas 4-H Foundation. This year, the silent auction has been moved over to TAE4-HA and this will allow for the association to raise money for the 2016 NAE4-HA Conference that we are co-hosting with Louisiana in October.

We are asking for help from individuals, 4-H clubs, counties, local businesses, and district associations in help securing items for this year's silent auction. If you are interested, please contact Cory Hundl (cory.hundl@ag.tamu.edu) by Friday, May 13, 2016.



TEXAS 4-H ALLIANCE WITH LA QUINTA INNS & SUITES

Texas 4-H supporters receive a 15% discount at La Quinta hotels nationwide. The Texas 4-H Alliance Program benefits the youth of 4H! "TX4H Youth Discount" is available nationwide for business and leisure travel. When booking a reservation refer to the "TX4H Youth Discount". "TX4H Youth Discount" can be obtained by calling the hotel directly, using the La Quinta toll free reservation line at 800.531.5900, or by booking online at www.lq.com/TX4H using the established "TX4H" discount promotional code. In addition to the 15% discount,* La Quinta will donate 9% of the revenue earned through this alliance to the Texas 4-H Foundation for its support of Texas 4-H and youth development efforts.



The White House Student Film Festival

Got big ideas for the future? Love to make films -- or ever secretly wished to give it a shot?

Well, this is your chance! The White House Student Film Festival is back with a new theme: "The World I Want to Live In." From now through July 15th, we'll be taking submissions from K-12 students across the country.

We can't wait to see your vision for the future, whether its fiction, animation, or documentary.

Check out WhiteHouse.Gov/FilmFest to learn more about the event and read the official submission guidelines. Students under the age of 14 should have their parent, guardian, or teacher assist with submitting. If your project is selected, you may have a chance to attend the Film Fest right here at the White House. The Official Selections will also be featured across the White House website and social media channels. You can watch several entries from the past two student film festivals for some inspiration.

Remember, submissions close on July 15th, so get filming to be sure that deadline doesn't sneak up on you!

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*Mark
your
Calendar*

May 13th – deadline to register for State Roundup
May 13th – deadline to register for District 10 Horse Show
May 24th – deadline to sign up for Leadership Lab
May 30th – Extension Office closed for Memorial Day



4-H Club news

Cave Creek – will meet June 1st at 6:00pm at the schoolhouse
St. Mary's - St. Mary's club will meet on Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:00pm. We will have officer elections at our May meeting. Anyone who would like to be considered for an office should be present for elections to accept the nomination. If you are unable to come to the meeting and you would like to be considered for an office, you must contact Lori Dittmar at (830) 456-6147 before the meeting on May 3rd.

Stonewall - Officer Elections will be held at May 3rd meeting at 7pm.

Willow Creek - will be meeting at 6:30 on Tuesday, May 3rd at the Extension Office. Please remember to bring your canned food items and pictures for the Fair Board!

***If your club is not listed, contact your club managers for monthly meeting announcements.**

Brad Roeder
CEA – Ag & NR

Shea Nebgen
CEA – FCS

Taylor Osbourn
CEA –4H & Youth
Development

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife provide equal opportunities in programs, education and employment, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status.