

Local 4-H News

National TSC Paper Clover Campaign Continues Support of Henderson County 4-H Youth

Today, National 4-H Council announced the fall *4-H Paper Clover Campaign* in partnership with Tractor Supply Company (TSC). The nationwide, in-store fundraiser will benefit state and local 4-H programming in each of the communities where a TSC store is located.

The fall 2011 *4-H Paper Clover Campaign* will take place Wednesday, Sept. 21, through Sunday, Oct. 2, ending at the start of National 4-H Week. Shoppers at the Athens TSC store will have the opportunity to support 4-H in Henderson County by purchasing paper clovers for just \$1 at checkout. All funds raised will be donated to 4-H, and will support 4-H youth development program activities in our county.

"The 4-H Tractor Supply Paper Clover fundraiser continues to be an incredibly impactful local event, hosted on a national platform," said Donald T. Floyd Jr., president and CEO of National 4-H Council. "We are honored to have a tremendous partnership that helps facilitate the support of 4-H clubs and programs in the communities of more than 1,000 Tractor Supply Company and Del's Feed and Farm Supply stores."

Now entering its second year, the TSC *4-H Paper Clover Campaign* has provided nearly \$500,000 to local 4-H programs across the country. The effort has provided direct support for local camps, after-school programs and other activities, and has granted scholarships to these events that youth can explore their interests in everything from animal science to robotics.

This year, funds donated during the national campaign will be tracked online and updated daily with the top ten performing states and stores. Visit www.tractorsupply.com/4H, for more information on the 2011 *4-H Paper Clover Campaign* and to view the donation tracker.

New for this Fall's Paper Clover

4-H participation awards and incentives

- A chance for you to win a \$250 gift certificate to the 4-H Mall by registering your clubs participation in the store during the promotion
- Opportunity for your 4-Hers to be the face of the next national Paper Clover promotional materials
- A way to boost funds raised for your state just by having a 4-H presence in-store

Have old phone books you need to get rid of? Don't throw them away, recycle them. Drop off your old phone books at the Extension office through September 30th.



Rabbit Clinic

Tuesday, September 27, 2011, 6:30 p.m.
Extension office 3rd floor

If you are showing rabbits or would like to show rabbits, this would be a great clinic to attend. Get all your questions answered and learn the proper way to select, care for, and show a rabbit. There is no cost to attend the clinic.



One Day 4-H, October 8th

Our county will once again be participating in One Day 4-H. Texas 4-H created One Day 4-H as a state-wide community service effort by the local 4-H clubs. On October 8, 2011 every 4-H member in Texas is being challenged to step out into your community, county, and state and make a difference through the 3rd annual **one day 4-H**. This state-wide day of 4-H community service was created for the state largest youth development organization to give back and show our impact of how young people in Texas can, and are, making a difference for those that need a hand.

It is easy to participate! Look around, determine a issue that your community is facing and then take on the challenge! It can be as easy as helping senior citizens with yard work and chores, to hosting a charity walk.

Club Managers: If your club is planning an activity for One Day 4-H, please register your event online or let Angela or Jackie know about your club's event at 903-675-6130 by Sept. 23rd. To get your **one day 4-H** project registered on your own, visit the one day 4-H website at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/oneday> by September 26, 2011. Then go and make a difference in your community on (or around) Saturday, October 8, 2011. After you finish, go back to the one day 4-H site and report your results. Who knows - your project may just get selected to receive a cash award for making a significant difference!

Heart of Texas—Entries are due to the Extension office by Friday, September 9th. Entry forms, rules, and fees can be found online at <http://www.hotfair.com> or picked up from our office.

One Day 4-H T-SHIRTS ARE NOW ON-SALE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 25, 2011

For only \$7.42 per shirt your 4-H members can show their pride during their one day 4-H project. The 2011 t-shirts is a cool new design and can be ordered online through the Barefoot Athletics at: ww.barefootathletics.com/cof once there, enter code: **COF15962**. For more information on one day 4-H and to download all the 2011 resources visit one day: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/oneday/index.php>

Mark Your Calendars for the ALPA Fundraiser



ALPA will be hosting a Waffle Supper on Tuesday, November 1st to raise funds for scholarships and other program needs. This event will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Eastern Hills Church of Christ. More details to follow on ticket prices.

They will also need your help in selling raffle tickets. This year raffle will consist of the winning ticket holder receiving half of the raffle ticket money collected with the other half going to ALPA. Raffle tickets are \$1 each. Raffle tickets will be available to sell the first week of September. Remember this money benefits you.

Henderson County 4H Shotgun Sports welcomes new members.

Our club is about opportunities for youth to learn and participate in Shotgun Sports. Shooting disciplines are Trap, Skeet, 5 Stand, and Sporting Clays. We meet on Sundays @ 2 PM thru out the year. Our dates for the upcoming 2011-2012 year are:

RCFC-Rose City Flying Clays; Oct 23	BCTC-Buffalo Creek Trap Club March 25	Sept 25 RCFC, June 24
RCFC, Nov 13	RCFC, April 1	RCFC, July 8
BCTC, Dec 11	BCTC, April 22	RCFC, Aug 12
RCFC, Jan 8	RCFC, May 6	BCTC, Aug 26
BCTC, Jan 22	RCFC, May 20	
RCFC, Feb 12	BCTC, Feb 26	
BCTC, March 11	RCFC, June 10	

For more information Contact Steve Van Dusen 903-681-4033 or Shannon Silvey 903-724-0375. Check out our Facebook page!

State News

TEXAS 4-H IS LOOKING FOR A NEW THEME SONG

Dr. Toby Lepley, *Extension 4-H and Youth Development Specialist*

Do we have an opportunity for an inspiring youth song writing and performer. Two years ago, former 4-H member, Brison Bursey wrote and performed the theme for the one day 4-H community service project. We are looking for the next Brison Bursey! Entries are now being accepted by any active Texas 4-H member for a theme song that highlights what Texas 4-H is all about. Entries must be the original work of the person/group entering the song. Entries will be evaluated on the words, music score, and audience appeal. Score can be performed by individual or a band and can follow any genre.

Entries must be submitted by September 15, 2011 and the winner will be announced on Monday of National 4-H Week (October 3, 2011). The winning entry will be awarded a \$200.00 prize and be featured throughout the week and year at events and activities hosted by Texas 4-H. Entries will need to be sent via e-mail (t-lepley@tamu.edu) or by mail on a CD/flash drive to Texas 4-H Office c/o Toby Lepley, 4180 State Hwy 6 South, College Station, TX 77845. Entries need to include the county where members are from, song writers name, names of all performers, and ages. Song writer and singers must be 4-H members, but can use adults as band members. Winning entry becomes the property of the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program for use in 4-H programming with credit and recognition given to the 4-H member/band.

TEXAS 4-H METAL ROAD SIGNS ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO PROMOTE YOUR COUNTY'S 4-H PROGRAM

The Texas 4-H Program is now offering the opportunity for county 4-H Programs to purchase metal road signs that welcome visitors to your county. These signs are made with the same materials as Texas Department of Transportation road signs so they are quality, long-life signs. The signs are 36 X 48 inches and can have space for sponsorships information on the bottom of them. Each sign is \$150.00 which includes shipping and handling. Mounting of signs can be done using either metal or wood post along the roadways on private property (make sure you receive permission from land owner first - don't want to lose a sign!!!).

To download more information about the Texas 4-H Road signs and an order form go to <http://library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1102776233283-147/4hroadsign.pdf>

2012 Texas 4-H Roundup



SUBMISSION PROCESS

Print format: mail entry to: Texas 4-H Office c/o Kyle Merten
4180 State Hwy. 6 College Station, TX 77845

Please include the following information:
name, e-mail address, county, mailing address,
city/state/zip, and age

Electronic format: e-mail entry to: Mr. Kyle Merten
kjmerten@ag.tamu.edu

Please include the following information:
name, e-mail address, county,
mailing address, city/state/zip, and age

Theme & Logo Contest

LOGO & THEME REQUIREMENTS

- The logo submitted may be made up of no more than four colors
 - Theme must have "Texas 4-H Roundup" located in it.
 - Theme must have 2012 for its date
- Images may be hand drawn or computer generated
 - Electronic images must be in .jpg format
 - If selected, images may be modified slightly for printing purposes

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Submissions must be received no later than October 3, 2011

PARTICIPANTS

- Must be a 4-H member
- May be a team (no size limit), 4-H Club, or individual submission
- Participants must be from same county

SUBMISSION RIGHTS & CREDIT

- All submissions become the property of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service
 - 4-H members release all rights to submission of theme and logo
- Credit will be provided to individual or team in State 4-H Roundup documentation

WINNING ENTRY

- The winning entry will receive a \$100 gift card

Don't forget 2012 Roundup will be at !

Fashion Storyboard Design Brief

Angela McCorkle, Extension Program Specialist

Get started creating your original fashion, jewelry, accessory, pet clothing and non-wearable designs using the 2011-2012 design brief. The 2011-2012 Design Brief is Around the World. Use your fashion passport to explore people, places, culture and fashion around the world. Use what you learn about other parts of the globe to inspire your creation. All design boards must have Around the World as their title!



More information about the Fashion Storyboard contest can be found at:

<http://fcs.tamu.edu/clothing/4h/index.php>.

2012 Texas 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

Deadline: January 13, 2012

Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

The topic for the 2012 essay contest is "The Results of Honey Bee Pollination in my Community." For complete rules and guidelines visit

<http://texas4->

[h.tamu.edu/youth/beekeeping/index_youth_beekeeping.php](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/beekeeping/index_youth_beekeeping.php)

Quality Counts Verification Required for all 2012 Texas Major Livestock Shows

Starting in 2012, Quality Counts verification will be required for all youth exhibiting livestock (market and/or breeding) at major livestock shows in Texas (including the Ft. Worth Livestock Show, San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Star of Texas Fair in Austin, San Angelo Livestock Show, Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa, State Fair of Texas in Dallas, and Heart O' Texas Fair in Waco). The verification process will require junior exhibitors to pass an online test that measures their knowledge on quality assurance and character education content items. **You will not be able to enter a major show without this verification.**

Starting in May, youth are able to go online to take the test and become verified. A verification number will need to be provided at the time of making an official entry into a Texas major livestock show. Thus, youth will need to have completed and passed the test before the major livestock show's entry deadline. A passing score has been determined to be 80%.

The Quality Counts website (<http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/>) will serve as your portal to the online test.

Livestock Shows

Freestone County 4-H Fall Fest

Steer and Heifer Jackpot Show
Saturday, October 29, 2011
Moody Reunion Fairgrounds
Fairfield, Texas
Entry fee: \$25.00

For more information contact Becky
Adcock at 903-388-8313 or Freestone Co.
AgriLife Extension at 903-389-3436.

East Texas Show Star Series

October 22-23, 2011
Nacogdoches, Texas

Cost: \$50 per youth before October 7th
\$30 per parent

This clinic/show will be for beef, lamb, and goat projects. Topics include showmanship, daily management, and selection. Youth must participate in the clinics to enter the show. For more information visit <http://etsss.blogspot.com> . To register online visit <https://agrilifevents.tamu.edu/events/details.cfm?id=851>

Important Dates

September

- 9/9 Heart of Texas entries due to Extension office**
- 9/10 4-H Photography Clinic**
- 9/11 Henderson County 4-H Awards Banquet**
- 9/22 East Texas State Fair Begins**
- 9/27 Rabbit Clinic, 6:30 pm at Extension office, 3rd floor**
- 9/30 State Fair of Texas Begins**

October

- 10/3 ALPA and Council Meeting 7 pm at Extension office**
- 10/8 One Day 4-H**
- 10/11 D5 Gold Star Banquet, SFA**
- 10/15 HLCS Validation 7-11 am at TVCC Ranch**
- 10/22 MADD Walk**