



Howard County 4-H News and Notes

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8~10 ~ Howard College Lamb Camp	9	10~13 ~ Texas 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M University	11	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17~19 ~ West Region Junior High Leadership Camp at SWCID in Big Spring	18	19	20 District 4-H Horse Show Entries Due on 4-H Connect by 5:00 p.m. First Day of Summer	21
22	23 Steer Validation at the Big Spring Livestock Auction Barn ~ 5:00—7:00 p.m.	24~26 ~ District 6 & 7 4-H Leadership Camp at Sul Ross State University in Alpine	25 4-H Recordbooks Due in County Extension Office by 5:00 p.m.	26	27 District 6 4-H Shoot Registration Due in the Howard County Office.	28
29	30 District 4-H Horse Show in Fort Stockton					

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		1 District 4-H Horse Show in Fort Stockton District 4-H Record-book Entries Due on 4-H Connect	2	3	4 County Holiday ~ Independence Day	5 District 6 4-H Open Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clay Shoot in Midland
6	7	8	9	10 District 4-H Recordbook Judging in Fort Stockton	11 State 4-H Dog Show in Hutto	12 State 4-H Dog Show in Hutto
13 ~ 16 Texas 4-H Congress in Austin	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 ~ 26 Texas 4-H Horse Show in Abilene	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Howard County Junior Livestock Show Checks

Premium checks from the Howard County Junior Livestock Show are available in the Howard County Extension Office. In order to get your check, you must have proof that you have written and mailed your thank you notes to the buyers. You can come by the Extension Office during regular office hours to pick up your pre-

mium check.

Let us know if you need another copy of your list of buyers. We will be glad to make you another copy.

Congratulations to all of you on a job well done with your livestock projects.

Educational programs of Texas AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners' Courts of Texas Cooperating

District 6 4-H Horse Show

The District 6 4-H Horse Show will be held in Fort Stockton on June 30 and July 1, 2008. Registration for the horse show is open on 4-H Connect and must be completed by June 20, 2008. If you need help with getting registered for the horse show, please contact the Extension Office. We will help walk you through the 4-H Connect process.

You need to read the instructions for 4-H Connect in this newsletter and get your family profile set up. You cannot register for an event until you have your profile approved by the County Office and a member number assigned to you.



Major Livestock Show Checks are in Extension Office

If you participated in one of the major livestock shows, your sale, premium and/or floor checks are in the County Extension Office. Some of

these shows require that you write thank you notes before you can receive your checks. Please check with the Extension Office to get your check.

The major livestock shows are Fort Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, Austin and Houston.

Steer Validation for 2008 ~ 2009

Steer validation for the 2008 ~ 2009 Show Season is scheduled for Monday, June 23, 2008 at the Big Spring Livestock Auction Barn from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. You should have ordered your steer tags in April.

All steers must be validated on that day to be eligible to show at any livestock show in 2008 or 2009.

4-H Recordbook Training

Recordbook training for 4-H members and parents will be conducted on Thursday, June 5, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Extension Office Meeting Room. We will cover the basics of what is included in a recordbook and provide some example pages.

This is an excellent time for you to get started

on completing a recordbook for competition at the district level.

District 6 4-H Recordbook judging will take place on July 10, 2008 in Fort Stockton. Entries for the district contest are due on July 1, 2008.

Recordbooks will be due in the Howard County Extension Office on Wednesday, June 25, 2008.

Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors

Congratulations to our 4-H graduating seniors on their productive 4-H careers and good luck in your future pursuits.

Our seniors are Teryn Bibb, Seth Cochran, Courtney Schaedel and Keisha Yarbor. Also, a big congratulations to

Teryn Bibb on receiving a Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship during Texas 4-H Roundup.

Thanks for all of your contributions to the 4-H program and for your leadership. We appreciate all that you did in 4-H over the years.



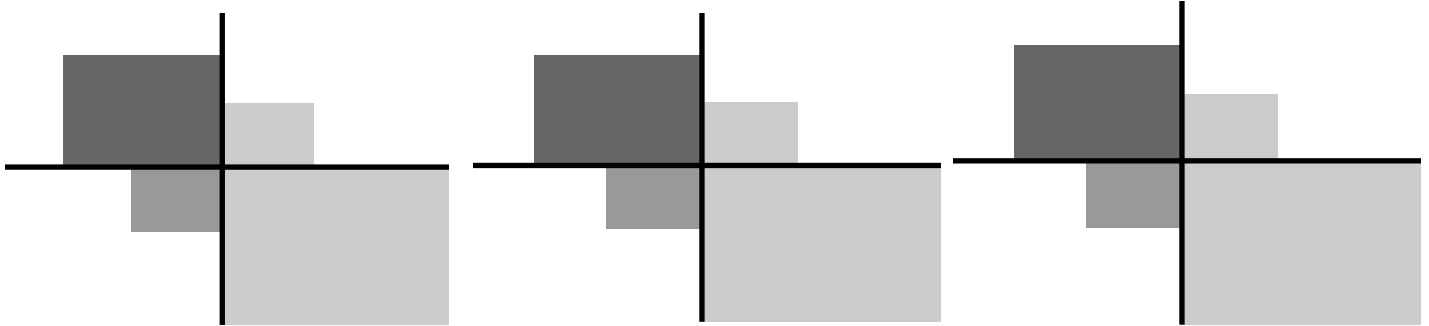
West Region 4-H Junior High Camp

The Texas AgriLife Extension West Region 4-H Junior High Camp will be held June 17 ~ 19, 2008 at the SWCID Campus in Big Spring. There will be a tour to one of the local wind farms and ten different educational sessions

during the camp.

The cost of the camp is \$90 per person and is for incoming 6th through 8th graders. Registration is open on 4-H Connect and will close on June 6, 2008.

See enclosed flyer for additional information.



4-H Wildlife & Fisheries Project

The Howard County 4-H Wildlife and Fisheries project will meet on Friday, June 6, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Student Union Building on the Howard College Campus in Big Spring. There will be a tour of the Wildlife Exhibit at Howard College, followed by a session on careers in Wildlife and Fisheries.

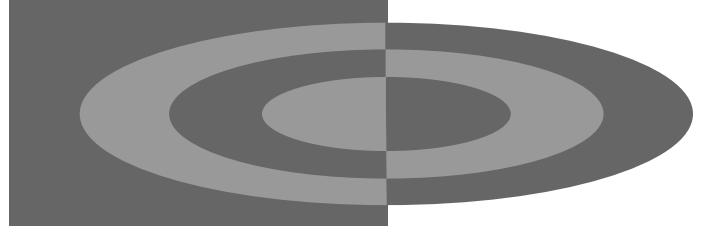
Following the sessions at Howard College, you will travel to Comanche Trail Lake for fishing and information on running the facility.

Each participant will need to bring money for lunch. Lunch will be purchased and you will eat

it picnic style at Comanche Trail Park.

Please contact the Extension Office or Amy Burchett at 264-5178 for additional information about this project. We look forward to seeing you on Friday, June 6, 2008.

See enclosed agenda for additional information and what to bring for the day.



4-H Club Officers

President: Harrison Chevalier

1st Vice President: Logan Gaskins

2nd Vice President: Judson Chevalier

3rd Vice President: Nathan Gomez

Secretary: Foster Burchett

Treasurer: Brittney Hergert

Reporter: Ali Knight

Parliamentarian: Teryn Bibb

Club Managers: Sherrie Chevalier, Chris Gaskins, Amy Burchett, Tiana Hergert

District 6 4-H Fashion Show

Congratulations to Molly Walker on winning first place in the intermediate casual construction category at the District 6 4-H Fashion held in Garden City on May 3, 2008. The Fashion Show was held in conjunction with District 4-H Roundup.

Molly and Charli Telchik, clover kid, participated in the clothing and textiles projects in the county and in the county 4-H Fashion Show. They each completed casual construction outfits and made placemat aprons for a community service project.

Congratulations to both of these 4-H members on a job well done.

4-H CONNECT

The Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program has released a new version of 4-H CONNECT. The new version is a transition from an on-line event registration program to an on-line management program. It now includes the capabilities for on-line 4-H enrollment features, a reporting function for 4-H club managers/project leaders to report attendance and participation numbers from club activities, in addition to the event registration.

Effective with the new system, 4-H CONNECT will not be accepting PERSONAL CHECKS, but will be accepting E-CHECKS. E-checks are processed in the same manner as credit cards, using the account num-

ber. Each 4-H family will be required to set up a family profile. All profiles will have to be accepted for membership by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service ~ Howard County Office before the 4-H family will be able to register for an event. More information will be available at a later date. Step-by-step instructions are available through the Extension Office. Please contact the Extension Office if you have questions regarding this matter.

You will need to set up your family profile soon so you can register for district events that are approaching soon ~ livestock judging, fashion show, roundup, etc.

District 6 4-H Open Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clay Shoot

The District 6 4-H Open Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clay Shoot will be held on Saturday, July 5, 2008 at the Permian Basin Shotgun Range in Midland, Texas. Registration is \$30 per shooter, with trap, skeet and sporting clay rounds being an additional charge.

Pre-registration is due in the

Howard County Extension Office by June 27, 2008.

Trap and Skeet rounds will be \$15.00 for 2 rounds (50 birds). Sporting Clays will be \$15.00 per round for 50 birds.

Age divisions have been adopted by 4-H and will be observed at the District 6 Shoot. Your age is determined as of August 31 of the preceding year. Age divisions are as follows:

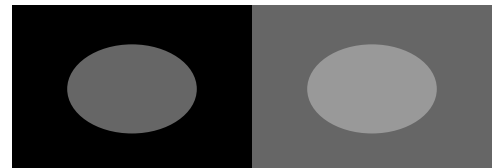
* Junior ~ 9 (or 8 and in 3rd grade) - 10

* Intermediate ~ 11—13

* Senior 1 ~ 14 — 15

* Senior 2 ~ 16 — 18

For more information, please contact Van Gaskins at 432/517-0169.



Texas 4-H Shotgun Shootout

####The Sixth Annual Texas 4-H Shotgun Shootout will be held July 10-12, 2008 at the San Angelo Claybird Association Gun Club.

The \$200.00 entry fee includes the following:

- 350 targets
- 50 trap targets
- 50 International trap targets
- 50 American Skeet targets

- 50 International Skeet targets
- 50 5-Stand targets
- 100 Walking Sporting Clay targets

The awards will include the Larry Ratheal Scholarships, 4 Shotguns for High Overall Champions, 4 Shotguns for High Overall Runner-ups, 4 Americase Custom Gun Cases, and 72 \$100 Gift Cards.

Please contact Van Gaskins at 432/517-0169, Danny Peugh at 432/270-3993 or Larry Romine at 432/270-3530 for additional information#



Texas 4-H Motto, Pledge and Prayer

4-H Motto:

To Make the Best Better

4-H Pledge:

I Pledge:

My head to clearer thinking,
My heart to greater loyalty,
My hands to larger service,
and
My health to better living
For my club, my commu-
nity, my country and my
world.

4-H Prayer:

Help me, Oh Lord, so that
the world may be a little
better because Thou didst
make me. Amen



2008-2009 4-H Officers

Congratulations to the following Howard County 4-H Club members for being elected to lead the 4-H Club for the next 4-H year.

President: Logan Gaskins

1st Vice President: Judson Chevalier

2nd Vice President: Ali Knight

3rd Vice President: Tanner Christie

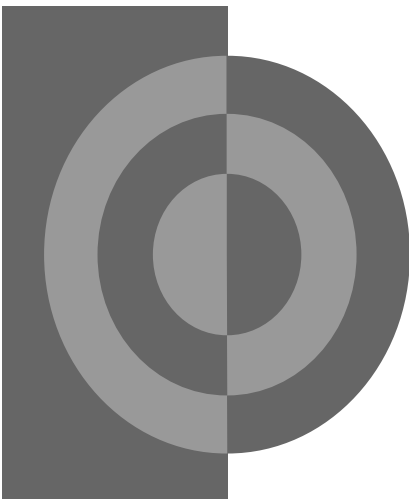
Secretary: Harrison Chevalier

Treasurer: Brittney Hergert

Reporter: Molly Walker

Parliamentarian: Nathan Gomez

Club Managers: Sherrie Chevalier, Chris Gaskins and Tiana Hergert



Districts 6 & 7 4-H Leadership Camp

The Districts 6 & 7 4-H Leadership Camp for 4-H members 14–18 will be held June 24-26, 2008 at Sul Ross University in Alpine.

Please contact the Extension Office for additional informa-

tion if you are interested in participating in this camp. It should be fun and is a great way to meet other 4-H members from the area.

Registration is currently open on 4-H Connect.

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We are here to serve you. Please do not hesitate to contact the Extension Office with your questions and concerns about the 4-H program. We hope everyone has a fun and productive summer.

Sincerely,

Kandy K. McWhorter

County Extension Agent ~ Family and Consumer
Sciences

Tommy Yeater

County Extension Agent ~ Agriculture and Natural
Resources

District Awards for Outstanding 4-H Members

District 6 4-H Adult Leaders Association presents the following awards each year at the Taste of Texas 4-H Recognition Luncheon in August.

- ~ Outstanding Junior Girl
- ~ Outstanding Junior Boy
- ~ Outstanding Intermediate Girl
- ~ Outstanding Intermediate Boy
- ~ Outstanding Senior Girl
- ~ Outstanding Senior Boy

To enter one of these competitions, you need to submit a copy of your Recordbook Personal Information Page and the Texas 4-H Report Form.

J.T. Rutherford Awards

This award is for senior aged 4-H members and consists of a copy of your 4-H Recordbook and a

completed "Application/Nomination for 4-H Recognition." The application form is available on the Texas 4-H website.

Gold Star, Silver Star and Bronze Star award applications are available in the county Extension Office. The Gold Star award is open to any senior aged 4-H member at least 15 years of age who completes a 4-H recordbook and has been an active member for three years. The Silver Star award is for 4-H'ers who are between the ages of 11-14 and who complete a 4-H recordbook. The Bronze Star award is for 4-H'ers who are between the ages of 9 (or in third grade) and 10 years of age and complete a 4-H recordbook. Application forms are available in the Extension Office.

All award applications are due in the Extension Office on Wednesday, June 25, 2008. Please contact the office for a copy of the application forms or if you need additional information.