To Make the Best Better in March 2017

Brazos County 4-H Connection

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension
Prairie View A&M University College of Agriculture and Human Sciences
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BCYLS

•Eligibility Forms-This year all 4-H members who will be competing in the Brazos County Livestock Show, must submit their eligibility form on or before March 27th to the Brazos county Extension office in order to be eligible to participate in the 2017 show. These forms must be signed by the agent and school to be accepted.

In public schools, 4-H is subject to the same University Interscholastic League (UIL) rules and regulations as "in-school" activities like sports, band, theater, debate and cheerleading. If a school determines a student is academically "in-eligible", the student is not allowed to participate in extra-curricular UIL activities. Academic eligibility is determined and based upon a student's academic status at the conclusion of the completed grading period closest to the extra-curricular event. Academic eligibility is solely determined by the school the student attends and all questions related to a student's eligibility status should be directed to the school. For more information, please go to http://www.uiltexas.org/policy/tea-uil-side-by-side

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Community Service Projects

Our District 9 County Council Members are very involved in community service projects. Make sure you stay up to date with all the great things they are doing! Check out the District 9 4-H and Youth Development page and keep up to date with the various things they are involved in or explore the ways you can be active in helping as well.

Food and Nutrition Quiz Bowl anyone?

A quiz bowl offers opportunities for youth to enhance and demonstrate their knowledge and skills related to 4-H projects in a semi-competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness, cooperation and fairness prevail. Form your own team or email Flora Williams at fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu if you are interested in coaching or being on a team. Not sure what quiz bowl is about? Here is the link to the guide http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017-Nutrition-Quiz-Bowl-Study-Guide.pdf. The overview from last year's training is posted at https://youtu.be/kc1S5E8CNBY

Follow Us!!

Follow us on our various social medias and keep up to date about what's going on with your local 4-H!

Facebook: Brazos County 4-H

Instagram: brazos_4H

Twitter: brazos4H

Brazos County Council Nomination for Candidacy 2017-2018

Don't Miss This Chance…. To Represent Brazos County At Their Best. This is great opportunity!! For more information please visit the link

Forms are due back to the Brazos County AgriLife Extension Office APRIL 3, 2017 and the election is April 18, 2017 at the 6PM during the Adult Leaders meeting held at the Brazos Center.

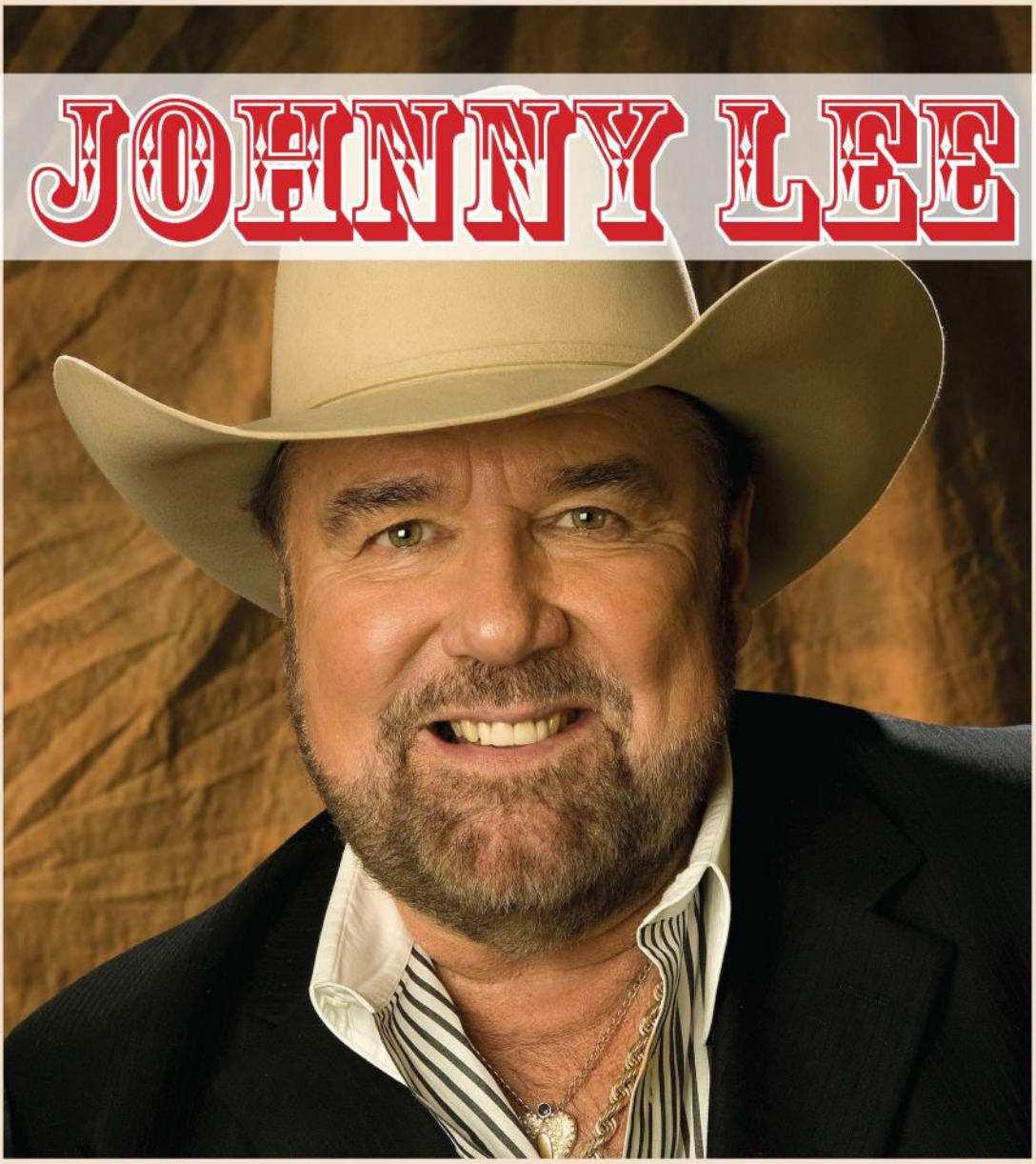
For questions please contact Jerod Meurer, Flora Williams or Ashley Skinner.

http://brazos.agrilife.org/files/2013/10/2017-County-Council-candidate-4-H-letter.pdf

Major Show Pass Handout & Travel Meetings

- Star of Texas & Houston– March 7th at the Brazos County Extension office starting at 6:00 p.m.– We will be drawing for parking passes at this meeting, do not have to be present to receive a pass.

If you are unable to attend the meeting please contact us prior to the meeting so we can include you in the travel plans and get your passes prior to the show



BCYLS QUEEN'S DANCE

OPENING ACT: TUB ★ TEXAS UNLIMITED BAND

EVENT 7:00 PM TO 12:00 AM

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HILDEBRAND EQUINE COMPLEX

3240 F AND B RD COLLEGE STATION

Special thanks to:

GARRETT MECHANICAL, INC.

PEGASUS OPTIMIZATION MANAGERS LLC

$10.00 in advance / $15.00 at the door

Queen will be crowned at 9:00 p.m.

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BRAZOS COUNTY 4-H ROUNDUP & FASHION SHOW

Location: Brazos Center

Date: April 13th

Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Roundup Registration: $5.00 registration fee per contestant

Fashion Show Registration: $5.00

(Entries must be received by March 31st

To register please visit the following link: http://brazos.agrilife.org/events/2017-brazos-county-4-h-roundup/

Fashion Show

County Roundup is required prior to advancing to District Roundup in the Woodlands on May 11-13. This includes educational presentations, public speaking, and share the fun events. Fashion Show contestants placing 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in each category advances to District Fashion Show at Big Time in D9 Roundup.

More information on these projects and contest can be found at the following links:

Fashion-http://fcs.tamu.edu/clothing/4h/packet/index.php
Educational Presentations & Public Speaking-http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/publications/#presentation Share the Fun-http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/roundup/

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Brazos County Consumer Decision Making Contest

March 6, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m.

Brazos County Office of
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Prairie View A&M
Cooperative Extension Program
2619 Highway 21 West
Bryan, Texas 77803

Registration fee and academic eligibility due by **February 27, 2017.**
Awards will be presented at County Round Up on April 13, 2017

- **Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions**
- **Judging classes: Jeans, Computers, Fast Food Meals*, Outdoor**
- **Equipment, Cookware, Nutritious Snacks** *Indicates an oral reasons class**
- **Cost $5 per team member. No late or on-site registration. Must be registered on 4-H connect to compete on a team.**

Study the Texas 4-H Consumer Decision Making Guide- http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016-17_CDM_Best_Consumer_Decision.pdf

Prizes for each high point team in each age division and high point individuals. Learn more about CDM at http://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/bigtime/consumer-decision-making/

For contest information contact fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu; to register email gjhoyt@ag.tamu.edu by February 27, 2017 by 4:30 p.m.

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Brazos County Healthy Lifestyles Contest

March 6, 2017 @ 6:45 p.m.

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2619 Highway 21 West
Bryan, Texas 77803

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healthy Lifestyles

- **Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions**
- **Judging classes: *MyPlate, Heat, Altering Recipes, Teen and Safe Driving Habits, Food Safety, Insect Repellent; Group Presentation – Emergency Preparedness***
- **Cost $5 per team member. No late or on-site registration.**

Study the Healthy Lifestyles Study Guide- http://d94-h.tamu.edu/files/2013/07/2017-Healthy-Lifestyles-Study-Guide.pdf

Prizes for each high point team and team presentation in each age division and high point individuals~Learn more about Healthy Lifestyles at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/HL_Invitational_Info_2017.pdf.

For contest information contact fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu; to register email gjhoyt@ag.tamu.edu by February 27, 2017 by 4:30 p.m.

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Brazos County Food &Nutrition Quiz Bowl Contest

March 30, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m.

Brazos County Office of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Prairie View A&M Cooperative Extension Program
2619 Highway 21 West
Bryan, Texas 77803

Registration fee and academic eligibility due by March 22, 2017

- **Junior and Senior Divisions** *(division winners will play for championship)*
- **Questions taken from the Texas 4-H Reference List**
- **Cost $5 per team member. No late or on-site registration. Must be**
- **registered on 4-H connect to compete on a team.**

Study the State Food and Nutrition Quiz Bowl Study Guide-2017 http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017-Nutrition-Quiz-Bowl-Study-Guide.pdf

Prizes to overall winning team. Plus prizes for each age division winner.

For contest information or study materials contact fewilliams@ag.tamu.edu; to register email gjhoyt@ag.tamu.edu by March 22, 2017 by 4:30 p.m.

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Brazos County OUTDOOR ADVENTURES 4-H Special Interest (SPIN) Club

Starting in Spring 2017, activities will include: Archery, Rock Climbing, Outdoor Cooking, Ropes Course, Wilderness Survival Skills, and more!

Ages 8-17, Club Membership Fee: $25

Orientation Meeting: March 1st, 2017 at 6:30pm at Brazos County Extension Office

Contact Information:
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Brazos County 4-H Office
Office: 979.823.0129
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2619 Highway 21 W
Bryan, TX 77803-1232

For more information about this club or registration, please attend our orientation meeting or contact us at the Brazos County 4-H office!

Brazos County Sheep & Goat Showmanship Workshop

Attention all sheep and goat exhibitors in Brazos county, there will be a showmanship workshop to help you prepare for the upcoming county show. There will be experienced volunteers on hand to give you pointers, one on one work, and a scale for you to weigh your project.

When: Sunday March 5th

Time: 3:00-5:00 PM

Where: Louis Pearce Pavilion on TAMU Campus

Brazos County Extension Office
2619 Highway 21 West
Bryan, TX. 77803
P-979-823-0129

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Brazos County 4-H & FFA
Train Like a Champion Livestock Workshop Series

SHEEP & GOAT WORKSHOP

With the current stock show season wrapping up and the start of next year coming up we are kicking off the Brazos County Train Like a Champion Livestock Workshop Series for any and all 4-H & FFA members. These training series are designed to help new feeders gain valuable knowledge about livestock projects to help make them successful and enjoy the project. We will have multiple trainings throughout the year for all species and a hands on showmanship clinic before the county show to help prepare the youth.

The sheep and goat workshop will be held on **Saturday May 27th at the Brazos County Extension office from 10am-11am**. This workshop will cover selection, feeding, animal health, housing, daily care, and important dates/information for these projects. Speaker is Jerod Meurer

The cost is free to all who attend

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE
BRAZOS COUNTY OFFICE

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HORSE VALIDATION PERIOD IS:

March 1, 201• to April 15, 201••

$10.00 per horse

April 16, 201•• to May 1, 201••

$20.00 per horse

Validation and payment is required of ALL horses regardless if they were entered this year or last!

IMPORTANT

Horse Validation is completed for EACH HORSE and will cover all 4-H youth members in that family profile. However, when validating your horses on 4-H CONNECT, you will select ONLY ONE 4-H youth member to conduct the validation under. Once a horse is validated, validation paid, and you begin registering for district horse show, the validate horse(s) can be moved to the appropriate 4-H member(s) that will be exhibiting the horse in the show.

Raise Your Hand Alumni Activation

MARCH 1 - JUNE 30, 2017

Help Texas 4-H, your county, and you win $20,000!

Overview

In 4-H, we believe in the power of America's youth to succeed in life; however, only one in three kids says they have the skills they need to handle what life throws their way.

That's why Texas 4-H is participating in "Raise Your Hand." A nationwide call to action for alumni to "raise their hands" to empower our nation's youth with the skills to lead for a lifetime.

This is your chance to help Texas grow the next generation of True Leaders - because every child deserves the opportunity to succeed and by doing so, you can help Texas 4-H win $20,000.

Between March 1 and June 30, 2017, we are asking every county to solicit alumni to reconnect with 4-H by signing up online and pledging their commitment to the mission of 4-H in Texas and across the country. The state with the most 4-H alumni signed up at the end of the campaign wins a $20,000 prize that we are going to share with you!

Prizes

To encourage our 4-H members and County Extension Agents/Offices to participate, the Texas 4-H Development Foundation and the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program are offering a prize package back to our county 4-H Programs and County Extension Agents based on the state winning the $20,000 grand prize.

Prizes will be based on the number of alumni completing the online form.

- **$500 each to the top eight counties** who have the most alumni signed up (minimum of 50 alumni required).
- **$100 to the county 4-H coordinators** of the top ten counties to be used for professional development opportunities during 2017-2018 (minimum of 50 alumni required).

Remaining prize funds will go to support statewide projects and programs identified through the Texas 4-H Program and Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation.

Joining in is easy:

RAISE YOUR HAND

Go to **http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/raiseyourhand** to show your pride as a 4-H alumni and vote for Texas

COMPETE FOR TEXAS

The state that has the most alumni hands raised will win a $20,000, $10,000 or $5,000 award to be used to grow the 4-H Program.

PAY IT FORWARD

Tweet, post and share your **#4HGrown** experience or support and tag fellow alumni asking them to raise their hands for Texas.

45th Annual Summer Horsemanship Program

Summer Educational Opportunity

Contact:
Chelsie Huseman
chelsie.huseman@tamu.edu

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Summer Horsemanship School Program provides youth and adults a great opportunity to gain a solid foundation and advance riding skills.

Clinics include:
* Riding instruction from Texas A&M University Students
* Clinic Hosts may select a discipline emphasis for their clinic

To Host a Clinic:
* Register online at https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/horse
* Keword search: Horsemanship
* For questions and further information contact Chelsie Huseman at: chelsie.huseman@tamu.edu

New this year

Clinics have been discounted $300 due to a generous financial contribution from Anderson Bean!

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Visit our website at: animalscience.tamu.edu/livestock-species/equine/summer-horsemanship

TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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2017 NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS INFORMATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Thursday, November 23rd through Tuesday, November 28th, National 4-H Congress will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Atlanta, Georgia. National 4-H Congress is the flagship event of the National 4-H program. Each year a National Design Team of Extension educators, 4-H youth, and 4-H adult volunteers analyze current youth issues and determine the most effective ways to address them. The program combines a variety of fun and exciting educational, recreational and networking opportunities. The program combines sessions, seminars, discussion groups, and a service learning experience. The nation's most outstanding community leaders, speakers, and educators present the most current and timely information available.

OBJECTIVES:

- To improve the ability of teen 4-H youth to express themselves in written and verbal forms of communication that are necessary and important "life skills" for today and in the future.
- To increase the awareness of the importance of Leadership, Citizenship, and Community Service in 4-H Youth Development.

WHO SHOULD APPLY:

- Youth with significant leadership accomplishments and potential.
- Youth who have demonstrated the ability to perform academically at or above grade level; passing all course work and eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities.
- Youth who possess the maturity to interact with other youth from different regions, cultures, experiences and beliefs.
- Youth in grades 9-12 at time of event, November 23-28, 2017.
- Youth must still be in high school during the time of the trip.
- Any youth participating in youth development programming which Texas A&M AgriLife Extension or Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program is a partner; (including 4-H clubs, short-term groups, school curriculum enrichment and ENP-Y programs.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications must be submitted online and certified through 4HCONNECT by April 16. There is not a fee for this application to be completed online. Interview selection of delegates will be made on the basis of the online application.

The online application will contain the following:

- Summary of Major Leadership Roles, Citizenship/Community Service Activities.
- Personal biography of 4-H member's 4-H career and other extracurricular activities.
- Approval of application by County Extension Agent

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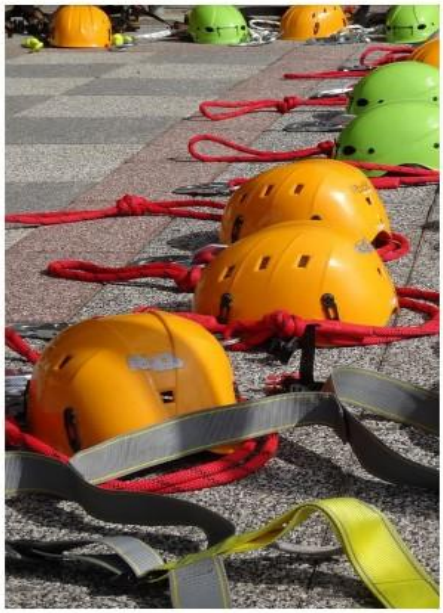
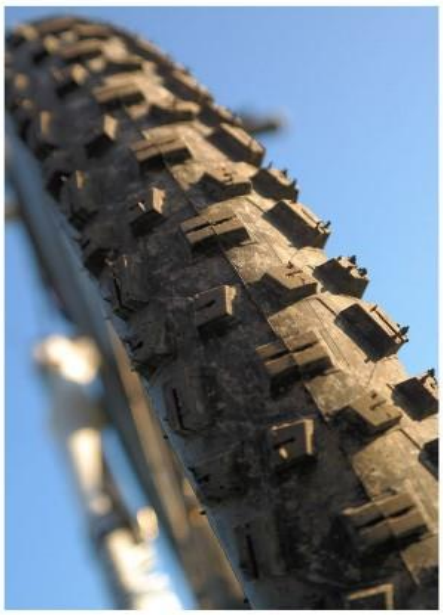


TEXAS 4-H

Outdoor Challenge

SEGUIN OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER

JUNE 16-18, 2017



Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory

4-H COLORING, ART, & PHOTOGRAPHY

50th Anniversary Contest

OVERVIEW

The Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Lab (TVMDL) works every day to perform diagnostic tests for many different types of animals, including livestock, poultry, exotic species, pets and zoo animals. Every year, TVMDL performs over 800,000 tests to ensure the health of animal populations both in Texas and across the United States.

Specimens are sent or brought to TVMDL from veterinarians, animal owners and producers. Specimens received may be deceased animals brought to the laboratory for examination, tissue specimens collected from animals, or fluids collected from animals. Depending on the suspected disease or ailment, TVMDL can choose from over 700 tests to determine if an animal is healthy or sick. Many tests also help veterinarians determine the right treatment or medicines to give to ill animals.

Our 160 employees, based in four laboratories across Texas, work every day to ensure the health of our animal population. We play a significant role in ensuring animal products that enter our supply chain meet the standards set by industry and government.

Animal health plays an important role in many 4-H projects and club activities. From ensuring the proper medical dosage for a show animal or pet dog, to ensuring the eggs used in food and nutrition program are free of disease, and even proper handling of game animals, TVMDL can play an important part in the food supply continuum...and the life of every 4-Her.

CONTEST DETAILS

TVMDL is celebrating its 50th year in 2017. To commemorate the milestone, TVMDL is sponsoring a coloring and art contest for Texas 4-H members.

Clover Kids Coloring Contest (Kindergarten to 2nd Grade). TVMDL's 50th anniversary logo contains images of the many species of animals tested each day at TVMDL. Clover Kids can print the logo (PAGE 3) and express their creativity in coloring the image. First, second and third place will be awarded.

4-H Members Art Contest (3rd to 12th Grade). Contestants can draw, paint or photograph an image that depicts the important role that animal health plays in your 4-H project or club. First, second and third prizes will be awarded to outstanding 4-H members in the age groups of Junior, Intermediate, and Senior for the following categories:

- Drawing/Painting
- Photography

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TEXAS A&M TVMDL VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

CONTACT

For questions please contact TVMDL at 979-845-2679.

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MEDIA AND TECHNIQUE

Paint or drawing material may be used in the coloring, and drawing/painting contests (ie watercolor, tempera, poster, or acrylic paint; pencil, charcoal, colored chalk, pastels, oil pastels, colored pencils, markers, crayons).

SUBMISSION

All entries will be submitted via 4-H CONNECT between January 1, 2017 and midnight (central time) on April 1, 2017. No late entries will be accepted for this contest.

In order to present your drawing/painting or photograph in the most presentable manner, you will need to follow these entry specifications:

- Drawing/Painting/Coloring: Artwork must be scanned or have a digital photo taken of the work. Scan must be at least a 300 dpi resolution, but not exceed a file size of 1 MB. Your artwork must be large enough for judges to see detail while still being smaller than 1 MB.
- Photographs: Photos should be submitted at a size of 8x10" at 300 dpi.

JUDGING

Collegiate 4-H members and TVMDL staff will judge the entrants into each category and determine a first, second and third place winner. Judging will be based on the following criteria:

- interpretation of the theme
- technical skill
- originality and creativity
- artistic ability

AWARDS AND NOTIFICATION

First Place: rosette, image displayed at TVMDL headquarters and 50th anniversary events, $100 gift card
Second Place: rosette, image displayed at TVMDL headquarters, $75 gift card
Third Place: rosette, image displayed at TVMDL headquarters, $50 gift card

Winners will be notified in mid-May. Awards presented during an event at the 2017 Texas 4-H Roundup.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- One entry per 4-H member per category.
- Artwork must be started no later than September 1, 2016 and completed prior to the submission date.
- Only the 4-H member may work on his or her artwork.
- The artist retains all copyrights to their artwork without exception.
- Submitter must be the creator of the art submitted. The concept must be original and not a copy of anyone else's copyrighted material. Any artwork that depicts copyrighted images will be disqualified. For example, artwork depicting characters from television, movies, video games or books are not accepted.
- By entering this competition, the 4-H member is granting TVMDL a non-exclusive perpetual license to reproduce the image of the artwork in our general outreach and marketing efforts.
- Photographs, drawings and paintings must be tasteful; profane, offensive or lewd images will be disqualified. Program coordinators at TVMDL reserve the right to determine disqualified images based on this requirement. Images traced by hand or with the use of an overhead projector or any other mechanical device are prohibited. Artwork that incorporates traced images are prohibited.

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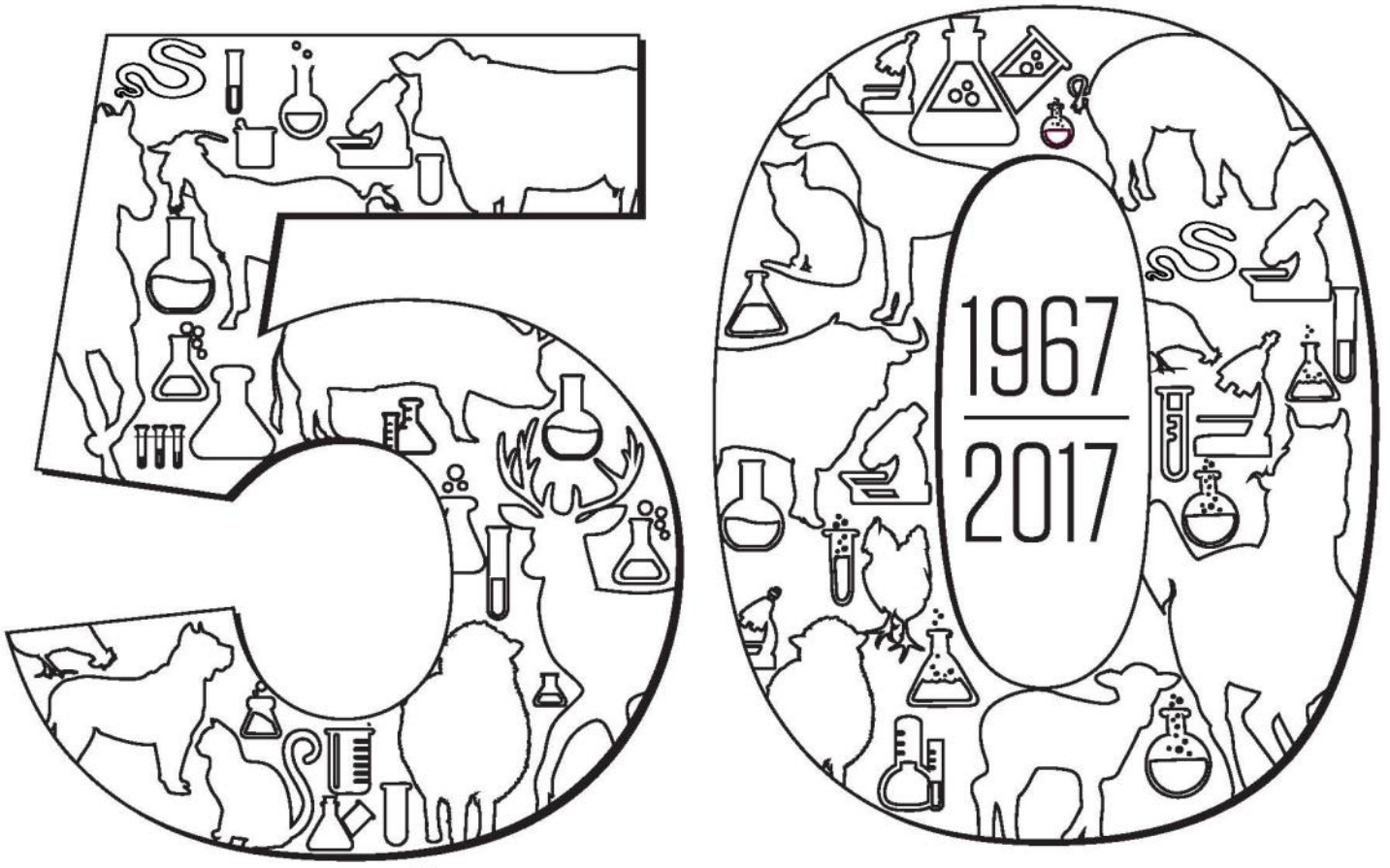

TVMDL TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

Brazos County

4-H Connection

2017 Summer Programs

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Texas 4-H Conference Center

Camp (grade completed)	Arrival & Departure	Registration Fee Youth/ Adult	Late Fee
Horizons Grades 4-8	June 25, 2 pm - June 29, 11 am	$280/$140	$294/$147
County Camp I	June 26, 2 pm - June 28, 11 am	$180/$90	$189/$94
County Camp II	June 28, 2 pm - June 30, 11 am	$180/$90	$189/$94
Mission Possible Mentor Training	July 5, 2 pm - July 6, 2 pm	$125	$131.00
Mission Possible	July 6, 2 pm - July 8, 3 pm	$175/$100	183.5/105
County Camp III	July 5, 2 pm - July 7, 11 am	$180/$90	$189/$94
County Camp IV- Outdoor Adventure	July 10, 2 pm—July 12, 11 am	$180/$90	$189/$94
Prime Time Xtreme Grades 8-11	July 11, 2 pm - July 14, 11 am	$230/$115	$242/$121
Prime Time I Grades 5-8	July 16, 2 pm - July 19, 10 am	$230/$115	$242/$121
Prime Time II Grades 2-5	July 19, 2 pm - July 22, 10 am	$230/$115	$242/$121
Fishing Camp	July 24, 2pm - July 26, 2pm	$220/$110	$232/$116

To register, go to Texas4Hcenter.tamu.edu website "Camps" page and click on REGISTER NOW button.

☺All camp enrollment is based on grade completed in spring 2017
☺ 4-H membership is NOT required to participate in any camp
☺ Pay a deposit by June 14 or full amount ☺ Discount for registering by June 14

4-H Scholarships

The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program and the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation is once again pleased to offer to our senior high school 4-H members and current college students the opportunity to apply for an Opportunity Scholarship through the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation. This year Texas 4-H members can apply for scholarships in three areas, baccalaureate, courageous heart, and technical. Former Texas 4-H members will be able to apply for scholarships through the collegiate scholarship program. Additionally, all information can be downloaded from the Texas 4-H website at: texas4-g.tamu.edu

Changes for the 2017 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Process:

- Scores from the Old (Jan 2016 or Before) and the New (Mar 2016 or After) of the SAT test will be accepted, as well as ACT scores.
- Any youth receiving a Terry Scholarship are NOT eligible to receive a Texas 4_H Opportunity Scholarship.
- Scholarship Interviews will be conducted in College Station in May, 2017.
- Dr. Darlene Locke will serve as the Scholarship Coordinator for 2017. Please direct all questions directly to Dr. Locke.

Due to a continued increase in incomplete and/or incorrect completion of the scholarship application from applicants, any incomplete or incorrect application submitted will not be considered. It is the responsibility of the 4-H member and parent/guardian to ensure all information is correct and complete prior to submitting. Absolutely no follow up or updates will be allowed once submitted.

Due dates and deadlines for 2017 Scholarship process are as follows:

October, 2017	Release of 2017 Application
November-January	Scholarship Trainings
October	Applicant can start completing FAFSA and receive report
January 25th	Application due to County Office
February 3, 2017	Application due to District Office
February 17, 2017	Application due to State Office
April 14, 2017	Interview selection notification
May 5-7, 2017	Interview in College Station, TX
June 6,7 &/or 8, 2017	Awards Assemblies/Banquets (College Station, TX)

Requirement for the Baccalaureate, Technical, and Courageous Heart Scholarships:
All applications MUST meet minimum requirements/criteria to even be considered for judging (see guidelines for complete details). Those applications not meeting the requirements should not be submitted to the County Extension Office and/or Agent.

Trainings:
District 9 training will be held November 30th via WebEx. Open to anyone in the district who would like to participate and will last around two hours sometime in the evening. Once time is set, it will be sent out.

LET'S COOK SOMETHING!!!

Cheesy Tomato Rice

What you need:

Ingredients:

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

1 medium onion, chopped

3 stalks celery, chopped

1/2 green pepper, chopped

2 Cups Cooked or canned tomatoes

3 Cups cooked brown rice

1 cup finely shredded reduced-fat cheddar cheese

What to do:

1. Wash your hands and clean your cooking area.

2. Heat oil in frying pan.

3. Add onion, celery, and pepper; cook until tender.

4. Add tomatoes, rice and cheese

5. Cover and cook slowly until cheese melts and mixture is hot.

Facts

Makes: 8 Servings
prep Time: 5 minutes
Serving Cost: $0.47

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Important Dates

2017 4-H year

- March 1st- Wildlife SPIN club informational meeting at the Extension office starting at 6:30pm
- March 5th- Sheep & Goat showmanship workshop at TAMU Pearce Pavilion from 3-5PM
- March 6th- County CDM & Healthy Lifestyles contest
- March 7th- Houston & Austin Livestock show meeting at the Extension office starting at 6PM
- March 27th- Eligibility forms due for BCYLS to the Extension office by 5PM
- March 30th - Brazos county food & nutrition quiz bowl at the Extension office.
- March 31st- Entry deadline for Brazos County 4-H Roundup- entry forms can be found at this link: http://brazos.agrilife.org/events/2017-brazos-county-4-h-roundup/
- April 1st- District Horse Judging Contest in Bryan
- April 3rd- County Council officer nominee applications due to extension office by 5pm applications can be downloaded at this link: http://brazos.agrilife.org/files/2013/10/2017-County-Council-candidate-4-H-letter.pdf
- April 4-8- Brazos County youth livestock show
- April 11th- Major show steer and heifer tag orders due to county extension office.
- April 11th- State Fair of Texas sheep, goats, & swine tag orders due to county extension office.
- April 12th- County Fashion Show interviews
- April 13th- County Roundup and Fashion Show at the Brazos Center
- April 16th- District Roundup entries due on 4-H Connect
- April 18th- Adult Leaders & Council Officer elections and Council officer meeting.
- April 25th- Eligibility forms due for all District Roundup participants. Must be turned into county office by 5pm
- May 1st- Record Book Workshop at the Extension office
- May 11-13- District 4-H Roundup
- May 16th- Adult Leaders & County Council meeting at the Brazos Center
- May 17th- State Fair of Texas Broiler orders due to county extension office by 5pm
- May 19th- State 4-H Roundup entries due on 4-H Connect
- May 27th- Sheep & Goat workshop at the Extension office
- May 28th- District Horse show entries due on 4-H Connect

District 9

- •March 19th- District Horse judging entries due online
  •March 26th- District Photography contest entries due online
  •April 9th- District Livestock Judging contest entries due online
  •April 22nd- District Livestock Judging contest at TAMU

State 4-H

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TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

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Cooperative Extension Program

March 2017

Color Legend:
Black—County
Blue—District
Green—State

NOTES:

Houston Stock Show:
March 7—26

Rodeo Austin Stock Show (formerly Star of TX):
March 11—25

National 4-H Conference:
March 25-30

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Outdoor Adventures SPIN Info mtg 6:30 pm @ Ext. office	2	3	4 A&M Livestock Judging Clinics
5 Sheep/Goat wrkshp 3 pm @ Pearce Pav.	6 Co. CDM 5:30 pm Healthy Lifestyles 6:45 pm @ Ext. office	7 Houston/Austin LS mtg. 6 pm @ Ext. office	8	9	10 H4H State Culmination Summit	11 H4H State Culmination Summit
12 H4H State Culmination Summit	13 LGEG @ Bryan Housing	14 LGEG @ Bryan Housing	15 LGEG @ Bryan Housing	16 LGEG @ Bryan Housing	17 LGEG @ Bryan Housing	18
19 D9 Horse Judging entries due	20 Co. Fashion show entries due	21	22 F & N Quiz Bowl reg. due	23	24	25
26 D9 Photo entries due	27 BCYLS Elig. Forms due Ext. office	28 Co. Council mtg.	29	30 Food & Nutrition Quiz Bowl 5:30 pm @ Ext. office	31 Co. Roundup entries due	

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