

Callahan County 4-H May 2020 Newsletter



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Karl Corner

Times of uncertainty continue currently. We are still No FACE to FACE contact until May 20th. Hopefully, we will know what the plans are for the summer on May 20th. Many summer events are currently scheduled and are being planned at this time. State Horse, District Horse, District 7 Leadership Lab, 4-H Summer Camps, Multi-County Camp, and other activities are scheduled to happen at this time. With that uncertainty, these still could be cancelled. I have started posting weekly videos on Facebook on what is going on in Callahan County 4-H each Friday. This has been very beneficial to let everyone know what is going on at State and County level. As an Extension Agent, I have had a lot of firsts in the last several weeks/months. Using computer and technology has been very challenging but has been beneficial. I plan to continue using these platforms in the future. We do have one email that every 4-H member receives that tends to be overlooked, Texas 4-H. This gives you an update every week on what going on in the State, even activities that you can sign up for. Be looking for some more county levels activities in the next several weeks. I want to congratulate our 4-H Seniors that are graduating High School this Month. Thank you for being a part of the 4-H program in Callahan County. What a strange way to end your high school year. As I always say, life is not fair, keep your head high and go do better things. You will remember this for many years to come and will tell your grandkids and great grandkids what happened when you were in High School. Be checking emails and Facebook of updates to come. We will be having another Virtual Fishing Tournament, Virtual Food Show Challenge, a making of a quilt square, and other activities throughout the summer. Will be sending out forms to be filled out for the 4-H Banquet this next month. Please be safe, hope to see you in person this summer!

Congratulations to our 4-H Seniors:



Abby Pritz

Amber Moore

Maddie Collins

Landon Ivey

Jerrid Tension

Kutter Davis

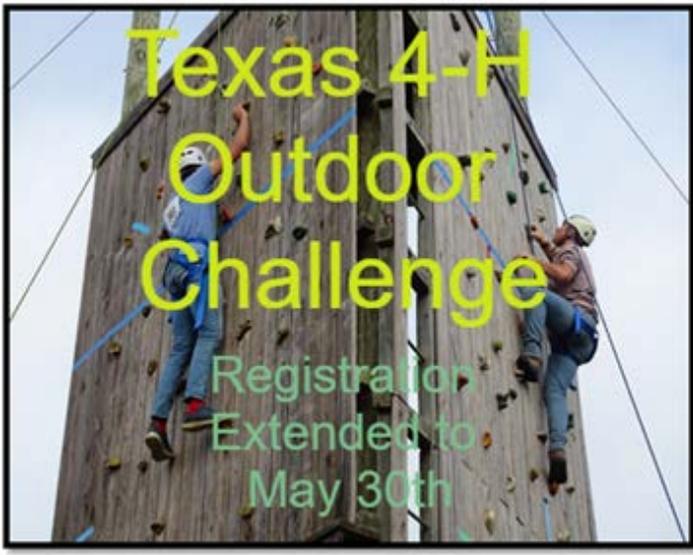
Shelby Ayers

District 7 Leadership Lab

District 7 Leadership Lab is scheduled for June 24th - June 26th at the Texas 4-H Center. Leadership Lab is for delegates to bring back to the county what they have learned to train others in the county through team building and developing leadership qualities. This year theme is "Survivor: Outlearn, Outlead, Outserve". The participant must be at least 13 years of age by the date of leadership lab. The cost will be \$250 per a person for youths. This includes all meals beginning with lunch on Wednesday and ending with breakfast on Friday, insurance, activity fees, lodging and facility use fees. During leadership lab, officers are elected for District 7 Council and State 4-H Council. Please do not let the cost deter this opportunity. If interested in going or have questions, please call the Extension office know at 325-854-5835. Registration is open from May 18- June 1 on 4-H Connect. This will be great time to meet new 4-H member across this Amazing District 7.

Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge

The **Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge** continues to be planned and remains on the summer calendar at this time. The date for the event is June 21st and 22nd at the 4-H Center at Lake Brownwood. Registration is open on 4-H Connect with an extended deadline to May 30th. Registrations will remain in 'pending' status until the certainty of the event taking place is known. Registrants will be updated in the case of an event cancellation and all registrations will be terminated without processing fees.



Additional details concerning the **Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge** can be found on the attached file and on the Texas 4-H Outdoor Education webpage; <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/outdoor-education-living-skills/>.

If you are outdoors person, this might be the contest for you. It is a two-person team that is divided in Junior, Intermediate, and Seniors. It also has all girls, all boys, and co-ed teams. It involves 10 challenges over two days. This year categories are Gear Judging, Swimming, Kayaking,

Archery, Climbing, Fishing, Shotgun, Biological Skills, Outdoor Safety, and Outdoor Skills. It is open in 4-H connect to sign up. All you need is a partner. Karl will be helping with this contest this year. He will also help in coaching if you are interested in it. Let Karl know quickly because this contest fills up quickly.



LEAD Academy is geared towards 4-H members who are currently in the 9th – 12th grades (as of the current 4-H year). Youth will have an opportunity to learn about college opportunities and what it takes to get there, serve their community, and gain valuable life skills in a true college setting. Our goal of this activity will be to provide the opportunity for young people to connect, learn, engage, lead, and impact their communities, their country,

and their world. The event will be designed to engage youth in hands-on educational activities in which they explore, practice and master existing and newly developed skills/knowledge in civic engagement, civic education, and personal development. The objective is to provide youth a broad-based learning experience in which they will acquire practical knowledge and skills to reinforce the attitudes and motivation that will give them a heightened sense of responsibility and capacity to connect as active members of their communities, nation and world. From this experience, we hope the youth attending will apply what was learned in their real world experiences in which they develop leadership skills using their voices, work, ideas and/or behavior to make a difference in their community, country and world.

Adult attendees will have the chance to connect with other volunteers and parents. Our goal is to provide useful information for 4-H volunteers and parents so they may learn how to improve their skills as a 4-H leader in their community. The event is designed to provide workshops that are practical and helpful to adults involved with the 4-H program. From this experience, we hope our 4-H volunteers will be able to apply what they learn to continue to help our members grow into productive members of society that make a positive impact in their lives and communities.

*2020 LEAD Academy will look a little different. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 situation, all events held at Texas A&M University have been canceled through June 30th. This impacted our Texas 4-H Roundup/LEAD Academy event. This year our event will be a virtual experience!! We feel the information provide through our LEAD Academy is valuable and we wanted to continue to provide this opportunity to our 4-H members, families and volunteers. Sign up before June 1st on 4-H Connect. As soon as I have the dates, I will send out the information through email.

Congratulation to Teri Hollis for Salute to Excellence Award for District 7



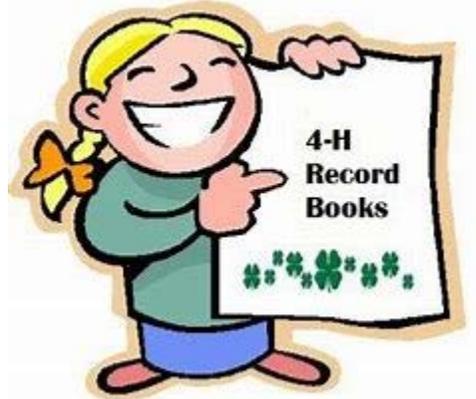
It is amazing to see our Volunteers be recognized at the State 4-H Level. A couple of years ago, Charlie Greenway received the Leader Legacy Award. He was the first volunteer to receive a distinguished award at the 4-H state level for Callahan County. This year, Callahan County has another recipient receiving award at state 4-H Level. Congratulations to Teri Hollis for being selected for the 2020 Texas 4-H Youth Development Salute to Excellence recipient representing District 7. This honor is presented in recognition of her dedication, commitment, and the difference you are making in the lives of Texas 4-H youth. She is the club

manager for Baird 4-H, project leader for the horse project in Callahan County 4-H, help 4-H members with cattle projects, part of the 4-H PAC committee, and the list goes on and

on. Because of individuals like herself, Texas 4-H Youth Development Program continues to be the leader in 'growing' the young people of our state into the future leaders of the world! Thank you for making a global difference through your service. Normally this award is presented to the recipient at Texas 4-H Roundup in June. Due to our current situation with Covid-19 and the cancellation of State Roundup, Teri will be receiving her award virtual. Thank you, Teri for all you do for Callahan County 4-H.

Record Books Due to the Office June 5th

Record Books are due to the Extension Office on June 5th. Record Books allows our children to keep records of what they have done throughout the year. It helps them set goals for the coming year and years to come and it also shows how much they have grown each year in their projects. When it comes to scholarships, it is the information that you use to fill out scholarship applications and ever job applications/resumes. If you have questions, please call the Extension Office or want Karl to go through your record book.



2020 State Shooting Sports Games

Step 1 Registration for the 2020 State Games is NOW OPEN on 4-H Connect!

While planning is ongoing, it is still possible that Texas AgriLife Extension may cancel this event later. We will keep the registrations in the "pending" status until It is confirmed that the event is indeed going to happen. If the event is cancelled, we will send back all registrations and no fees will be charged.

Be sure to check out the handbook for more information on events and registration process! iClays registration is not open currently.

Handbook: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/shooting_sports_state_games_handbook_2020.pdf



**2020 STATE GAMES
STEP 1
REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN**

Step 1 registration will be open on 4-H Connect May 12 - June 18. All participants **MUST** be registered via 4-H Connect in order to participate at State Games.

Callahan County 4-H Meeting Virtual

Karl will be setting up a Callahan County 4-H meeting for May 21st, at 6:00 p.m. He will be giving an update of what is going on in 4-H across the state and in Callahan County. This will be through TEAMS; you should have received an invite to this meeting. If you haven't please contact the Extension office. It will be short and sweet with a fun game at the end.

Upcoming Events

May 21	Callahan County 4-H Virtual Meeting
June 5	Record Books Due
June ?	LEAD Academy
June ?	#2 Callahan County Virtual Fishing Tour.
June 16	District 7 Horse Show
June 21-22	Outdoor Challenge
June 24-26	Leadership Lab
July 8-10	Multi-County Camp (Tentative)
July 12-25	State Shooting Sports Games
July 14	Jr/Int District 7 Fashion Show

CALLAHAN COUNTY EXTENSION 4-H HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE



THIS IS NEW WAY TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH CALLAHAN EXTENSION OFFICE.
GO AND CHECK IT OUT.