**Deaf Smith County 4-H News – July 7, 2016**

[**DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**](http://d14-h.tamu.edu/files/2010/07/2016-Photography-Workshop-Letter.pdf) **– THURSDAY, JULY 14 – Amarillo Botanical Gardens**

**Registration on 4-H Connect closes tomorrow (July 8).**

Bring your camera, walking shoes and enthusiasm for photography to this workshop scheduled from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. on July 14. Training, photo opportunities and lunch will be provided.

[**DISTRICT PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**](http://d14-h.tamu.edu/files/2010/07/2016-4-H-District-Photography-Contest-Letter-Revised.pdf) **– Open to all 4-H members, grades 3-12**

**Submit photo entries July 1-21 on 4-H Connect.**

Enter up to 3 photos. Quality award ribbons to be given. *Best of Show* winning photos will be featured on district website. All contestants have a chance of winning a GoPro.

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**Animal Entries for** [**Tri-State Fair**](http://www.tristatefair.com/) **must be completed by              Monday, Aug. 8, for County Agent approval.**

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**PICK-UP YOUR 4-WHEELER TICKETS TO SELL *NOW*** – The 4-Wheeler raffle tickets are ready to disburse to 4-H families. Every 4-H member is required to sell five tickets to support the local general 4-H fund. Each ticket costs $50 and the drawing winner will receive a blue Polaris Model 570 4 by 4. The reverse drawing will be held during the 4-H Achievement Banquet on Sunday, Sept. 11. Sold ticket stubs and money are due back to the Extension office by Friday, Sept. 2.

**All 4-Hers are expected to participate in ticket sales** and promotions held each summer. All age-levels of 4-Hers are required to sell **five** or more of these tickets each summer if they wish to receive financial support from the 4-H Parents Association during the coming year. This gives 4-Hers an opportunity to gain responsible life skills in learning the necessity of fundraising. Reimbursement for a youth’s participation fees is only completed after the 4-H member meets all 4-H Code of Conduct standards. **Members who do not sell at least five 4-Wheeler tickets at the end of their first year of membership will not be eligible for reimbursement by the Parents Association.**

*The 4-H Parents group helps with some 4-H expenses making it possible for local youth to attend state and district level contests, regional camps and many other programs. The association also pays for volunteer screening in order to protect children, as well as leader training. The general fund is the sole source of financial support available to assist our 4-H youth with activity costs.  The local fund-raisers have traditionally included the Four-Wheeler Drawing and other activities.*

**IMPORTANT 4-H DATES:**

**JULY 1-21 – Enter photos in the District Photography Contest through 4-H Connect**

**JULY 6-8 – Mission Possible for special needs youth at** [**Brownwood**](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)

**JULY 7-SEPT. 2 – All 4-H members selling 4-Wheeler raffle tickets to raise funds for your 4-H activities**

**THURSDAY, JULY 7 – District Record Book Judging**

**JULY 8-9 – District Trap Shoot at Amarillo Gun Range**

**FRIDAY, JULY 8 – DEADLINE: Register on 4-H Connect for District Photography Workshop (July 14)**

**JULY 11-13 – Beginner Shooting Sports Camp I at** [**Brownwood**](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)

**JULY 11-14 – Prime Time Extreme, 8th-11th grades, at** [**Brownwood**](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)

**JULY 13-15 – Beginner Shooting Sports Camp II at** [**Brownwood**](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)

**THURSDAY, JULY 14 – District Photography Workshop at Botanical Gardens, Amarillo, 9:30a.m.-2 p.m.**

**FRIDAY, JULY 15 – TCFA Fed Beef Challenge day to deliver steers to Amarillo Livestock Auction for check-in by noon**

**JULY 17-20 –** [**State 4-H Congress**](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/congress) **in Austin**

**JULY 17-23 – Texas Shooting Sports Games in San Antonio**

**JULY 17-20 – Prime Time I Camp, 5th-8th grades, at** [**Brownwood**](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)

**TUESDAY, JULY 19 – DEADLINE: TCFA Fed Beef Challenge Record Books due by 5 p.m.**

**JULY 20-23 – Prime Time II Camp, 2nd-5th grades, at** [**Brownwood**](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)

**THURSDAY, JULY 21 – DEADLINE: To submit photos for District Contest on 4-H Connect**

**JULY 24-30 – Texas 4-H Horse Show in Abilene**

**JULY 25-27 – Fishing Camp, 3rd-12th grade, at** [**Brownwood**](http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/)

**FRIDAY, JULY 29 – TCFA Fed Beef Challenge, WTAMU**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 8 – DEADLINE: For animal entries in Tri-State Fair, Sept. 16-24**

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 2 – DEADLINE: To turn in ticket stubs and money from 4-Wheeler ticket sales**

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 11 – Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet (tentative)**

**SEPT. 8-17 –** [**West Texas Fair & Rodeo**](http://www.taylorcountyexpocenter.com/events/west-texas-fair-rodeo) **in Abilene**

**SEPT. 16-24 –** [**Tri-State Fair**](http://www.tristatefair.com) **at Amarillo Fairgrounds**

**SEPT. 23-Oct. 1 –** [**Panhandle South Plains Fair**](http://southplainsfair.com/) **in Lubbock**

**SEPT. 30-Oct. 23 –** [**State Fair of Texas**](http://bigtex.com/) **at Dallas Fair Park**

**OCT. 6-15 –** [**Heart of Texas Fair & Rodeo**](http://www.hotfair.com/) **in Waco**

**JAN. 4-14 –** [**Sandhills Stock Show & Rodeo**](http://sandhillsstockshow.com/) **in Odessa**

**JAN. 12-14 – Hereford Livestock Show**

**MONDAY, JAN. 16 – HLSA Premium Sale**

**JAN 13-FEB. 4 –** [**Fort Worth Stock Show**](http://www.fwssr.com/)

**FEB. 3-10 –** [**San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo**](http://www.sanangelorodeo.com/)

**FEB. 9-26 –** [**San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo**](http://www.sarodeo.com/)

**MARCH 7-26 –** [**Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo**](http://www.rodeohouston.com/)

**MARCH 11-25 –** [**Austin Stock Show**](http://www.rodeoaustin.com/)

**Unless otherwise noted, all local 4-H activities are at the offices of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, located at 903 E. 14th St., Hereford**

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