

## 2013 Rains 4-H Club Gold Star Recipients

The Gold Star Award is the highest county achievement award that can be earned in a member's 4-H career. The award recipients of this prestigious award show leadership skills, serve as an officer, committee chairman, serve as a teen leader in a project meeting or activity, be active in numerous projects, and participate in community service activities.

The presentation of the Gold Star Pin begun in 1933, the first year Mr. E.C. Martin was Boys 4-H Club Specialist. Mr. Martin said the pin was prompted by an effort to recognize the people who did the work rather than the agents. The requirements for earning the pin have changed since then, but the core of the award is the same, to recognize the hard work and efforts of 4-H members who work tirelessly in their club and community to promote the 4-H program and through its projects help improve their county and community.

Two very deserving members of the Rains 4-H Club, Jena McCall and Taylor Young, were recently were honored at the District IV Gold Star Awards Reception. They were recognized for their long list of achievements in the Rains 4-H Club.

We invite all youth 3<sup>rd</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades to come and join the Rains 4-H Club. Some of the project areas we offer are food & nutrition, photography, livestock judging, educational presentations, livestock projects, and clothing and textiles.

If you know anyone who is interested in joining the Rains 4-H Club, please contact us for more information at the AgriLife Extension Office at 903-473-4580 or visit us at [rains.agrilife.org](http://rains.agrilife.org). We are also on Facebook at [facebook.com/Rains4HClub](https://www.facebook.com/Rains4HClub). Go and "Like" our page to keep up with the latest news, events, and programs offered by the Rains 4-H Club in Rains County.

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