

FEBRUARY 2018

4-H Newsletter

Special points of interest:

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Scholarship Opportunities

For Seniors looking for financial assistance, time is quickly approaching and some already passed for the deadline of many scholarships available through 4-H. Below is a list of additional scholarships available through 4-H and their upcoming due dates for applications:

Harry & Mary Clark Holt Scholarship - local scholarship especially for graduating seniors or a person who has just completed their freshman year in college. Preference will be given to students with an Ag journalism major. Due to Taylor County Extension office in May 2018. Contact office for complete guidelines and applications if you are interested.

San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Scholarship - Scholarships and renewal application available from the Stock Show Foundation and for Breeding Livestock shows. Applications due to Stock show office by **April 1, 2018**. For complete application and guidelines, contact the Extension office for complete details or check for application online at: www.sanangelorodeo.com

Tom Green Extension Education Association Scholarship - small scholarship specifically for Tom Green 4-H members who plan to attend Angelo State University. Contact Courtney Redman for complete guidelines and deadline.

Bill Wyche, Jr. Memorial Scholarship - Established in 2000 and awarded each year to a deserving student planning to attend college to major in range management or a related agricultural field. Deadline for applications is April 30th. Contact the Extension office for application and complete guidelines.

Blaine & Jackie Martin 4-H Scholarship - Established to provide assistance to 2 outstanding Tom Green County 4-H members for outstanding work in 4-H. Applications can be obtained thru the Extension office. Deadline will be Maycall for details and application.

2018 State Fair of Texas Youth Scholarship Program - Established in 1992, the State Fair of Texas Scholarship Program has awarded scholarships to more than 1,600 students. Eligible recipients include graduating high school seniors from around the state of Texas who have participated in competitive youth livestock events held at the State Fair, as well as graduating seniors from five Dallas Independent School District high schools in the Fair Park area. Recipients receive a \$6,000 grant, renewable in \$1,500 annual increments if the student maintains a 3.0 GPA while working towards a degree at a Texas college or university. Applications for the 2017 State Fair of Texas Youth Scholarship Program are available online at: <http://bigtex.com/about/scholarships/>. The application deadline is **Wednesday, February 21, 2018**.

Concho Valley Hort Scholarship - The Concho Valley Master Gardeners have a grant and scholarship program, if you know of anyone who could benefit please spread the word. They would like to serve Sterling, Coke, Runnels, Irion, Concho and Tom Green Counties. Visit our website for details: <http://txmg.org/conchovalley/scholarshipopportunity/> Grants of \$250 can be awarded to **groups** doing non-profit gardening projects, and \$1,000 scholarships are available to junior level or above students who are from Concho Valley counties and are majoring in horticulture or related subjects. More info is available at: <http://txmg.org/conchovalley/garden-grants/>

If you are planning to attend ASU, be sure to check with their admissions office for additional scholarships especially through the Ag Dept (if so inclined) or through CARR scholarships.

If you are in need of assistance or needing further information, please feel free to contact Jaye or Courtney and they will be more than willing to assist you in any way. Any of the agents will be glad to provide reference letters for any additional scholarships you may be applying for. Please allow them time to write the letters several days in advance of your deadline.

4-H Photography Contest

Info can be found on the District 7 4-H website at: <https://d74-h.tamu.edu/district-events/photography-contest/>
County entries will be accepted as 8 x 10 size or snapshot size with the understanding that any entries advancing on to the District 7 contest will need to be enlarged to 8 x 10 and mounted on foam board. All Senior entries MUST be e-mailed as submission to the State Contest. No framed or art mounted entries will be accepted. Deadline for all entries for **county contest will be March 16th, 2018.** Categories include:

Animals - Domestic:

Animals - Wildlife:

Catch- All:

Details & Macro:

Dominant color:

Elements of Design:

Enhanced:

Food:

Landscape & Nature (non-animal):

Motion/Action:

People:

Plant/Flora:

Sports:

Theme: For 2018 the theme is **“Backyard”**

Travel & Place:

For complete descriptions for each category, please check the Texas 4-H website at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/> If you have any further questions, or need additional information, please feel to contact the Extension office.

Duds to Dazzle

Duds to Dazzle is a 4-H Roundup qualifying contest that allows members the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skills learned in the 4-H Clothing & Textile project. Teams of 3 to 5 members will create a repurposed item from a predetermined textile. The teams will have 60 minutes to design and construct their product, which will fit into one of three categories: Wearable, Accessory/Jewelry and Non-Wearable. Each team will give a presentation to a panel of judges explaining their design process and the steps taken to create the end product, how the item would be cared for, safety precautions taken into consideration, the target audience and purchasing venue, and the price for the sale of their created merchandise.



The contest guide and a wealth of resources are currently available at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/clothing-textiles/>. Check periodically for additional sources being added and future training opportunities being announced. District 7 Contest is schedule for **Tuesday, April 3rd** in Coleman. If you are interested, please contact Courtney or Jaye at the Extension office. Come see, learn and do activities with this new event.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Saturday, May 5th—Tom Green 4-H Bldg.

TGC 4-H County Council will sponsor a 'Family FUN Night' for all 4-Hers and their families.

WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

SUMMER CAMPS—2018

County Camp- Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood will host camp for all counties with various dates. County Camp Session I-July 5-7; Camp Session II-July 9-11; Camp Session III - July 11-13-Outdoor Adventure. All youth ages (9-18 yrs old) are eligible to attend - all youth who have completed grades 2 thru 11. Persons do NOT have to be a 4-H member to attend. Session costs will be \$180.00 for youth and \$90 for Adults which must be cleared with background checks to be eligible to register and attend. All registration will be done thru the online Registration program under the Texas 4-H Center site and payments can be made using credit card. Registration is open now thru June 14th with late registration to be held June 15-23 with a 5% increase as late fee. Adult volunteers are welcomed!

Prime-Time - especially designed for younger youth with opportunities to meet new friends, develop new skills, and learn how to work with others. 3 night, 4 day event and covers all meals, lodging, refreshments, health care service, facility and programming fees. 4-H membership is NOT a requirement to participate in camp. Registrations will be accepted on a first come first served basis until the camp is filled. Register at the Texas 4-H Center site beginning on March 1st thru June 14th.

Session I - grades 5-8, July 15-18; Total Cost \$230 per participant

Session II - grades 2-5, July 18-21; Total Cost \$230 per participant

Camp enrollment is based on grade completed in spring, 2015 and 4-H membership is NOT required to participate in any camp.

Fishing Camp-4-H - camp for youth who have completed 2nd thru 11th grade at Lake Brownwood on June 20-22, 2018; participants will have the opportunity to learn everything they need to know about fishing in Texas waters, from creating lures to permit laws. They will also participate in their favorite events from the Texas 4-H Center such as challenge course, dances, and team challenge. Registration fee-\$220 per youth; \$110 per chaperone thru June 2nd; after this date, late fees will be added.

Horizons Camp - is a camp for youth completed grades 4th - 8th and featuring six different 4-H project learning programs. Each participant will select from one of the four programs to be offered - Wildlife adventure, Robotics Adventure, Vet Science adventure and Woodworking adventure. Camp will also include many fun activities at 4-H Center such as dancing, swimming and lots more. The camp will be held July 1-5 with cost to be total of \$280. Registration is open via the Texas 4-H Center website and will be accepted on a first come first served basis until the camp is filled.

District 7 Leadership Lab - to be held June 27 thru June 29 to be held at the Texas 4-H center in Brownwood. Estimated cost will be announced later. District officers for the new year will be elected at this time. If you are interested in knowing more about this camp, please contact Courtney or Jaye. To be a District Council officer, every candidate MUST ATTEND the Lab and be prepared for interview and speech presentations. More information coming later. All Registration will begin in mid-April.

Howard College Goat & Lamb Camps on the campus of Howard college in Big Spring. Instructions in selection, health & management, feeding, exercising, washing-shearing, classifying and showmanship with hands-on instruction. Camp participants must be 9 yrs old or entering the 3rd grade. ONLY THE FIRST 200 PAID ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED! No refunds after May 1st! Both these camps fill up quickly so get your application in early! Total Cost - \$100 per person for meals and camp t-shirt or cap; If you do not bring your own animal (goat or lamb), add \$50 per animal provided by Howard College. **Participants should make reservation at the area hotel of their choice; no housing will be provided. Meals by College Cafeteria (2 meals included)

Goats - June 3, 4, & 5, 2018

Lambs - June 10, 11 & 12, 2018 For application, hotel listings or more information, contact the office.

State Youth Water Camp - this is a 5 day educational camp featuring hands-on experiences, guest speakers and field trips to teach high school youth the importance of water stewardship, water conservation and preservation. Camp will be held in July at the George and Opal Bentley Center in Monahans. Topics will cover all aspects of water resources. For more information, check their website at: <http://ward-co.tamu.edu> or contact the Extension office at 432-943-2682

Texas Brigades Wildlife Leadership Camps - applications are now open. The Texas Brigades is a wildlife-focused leadership development program for high school youth (ages 13-17). There are 8 different camps: Bobwhite Brigade (quail), Buckskin Brigade (deer), Bass Brigade, Waterfowl Brigade (ducks & geese), Ranch Brigade (cattle) and Coastal Brigade (marine life). Applications for 2018 are available online at: www.texasbrigades.org and must be turned in no later than **March 15, 2018**.

Below are the 2018 camp dates and locations:

- Rolling Plains Bobwhite -Centennial Lodge, Coleman, June 2-6, 2018
- South Texas Buckskin -Welder Wildlife Refuge, Sinton, June 17-21, 2018
- South Texas Bobwhite -Buck Horn Creek Ranch, McCoy, June 22-26, 2018
- Bass Brigade -Warren Ranch, Santa Anna, July 6-10, 2018
- Ranch Brigade -Warren Ranch, Santa Anna, July 16-20, 2018
- Coastal Brigade, Sea Star Base, Galveston, July 17-21, 2018
- North Texas Buckskin -Warren Ranch, Santa Anna, July 22-26, 2018
- Waterfowl Brigade - stay tuned for 2019!

Applications may be completed online or downloaded at <http://www.texasbrigades.org>. For more information, contact the Texas Brigades office at 210-556-1391, or email camps@texasbrigades.org. For registration forms, financial assistance or other info for any of these camps, watch the Texas 4-H website for additional updates or contact the County Extension office.



PROJECT FAIR WINNERS:

Congratulations to all those who entered the 2018 Project Fair at the Tom Green County Show in January. There were 275 total entries in 4 age groups. The following were the best of Show winners in each age group:

Beginners – Teela Jo Killam

Junior – Kyler O’Neal

Intermediates – Mattie Sanford

Seniors - Garrett Guerrero

Congratulations and best of luck to those that have entered in the San Angelo Stock Show Creative Arts Fair. We look forward to new projects for next year.

HUNTER EDUCATION CLASS:

There will be a Hunters’ Education Course presented later this month for those who are needing the certification from the Tx Parks & Wildlife Department for hunting activities. The course will be held all day on **Saturday, March 10th** at the TGC 4-H Building and instructors will be Gary & Kathy Glass. If you are interested in participating with the class, please contact Gary Glass at: 325-469-3787 to register for this event.

Education Presentations / Illustrated Talks

County Roundup has been set for **April 19th at 5:30 PM** at the 4-H Building. For those who plan to enter with an educational presentation or Share the Fun contest, please call the Extension office by Monday, April 16th, to let us know that you plan to participate so that the county judges will be prepared for your entry.

If you have any suggestions or questions, please contact the office.

2018 Texas Equine Ambassador Short Course

Location: Gainesville, Texas
 Dates: June 24 – June 27, 2018
 Cost: \$250

Selection Criteria:

- ◆ Senior age (14-18) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her horse projects
- ◆ Students with a profound interest in equine science and the horse industry in Texas
- ◆ Students who have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others
- ◆ Top 25% class rank

Application Process:

- Applicant goes to http://tamuag.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_esuzimQvIF5JcVf
 - Student will complete the application and enter the contact information of supervising County Extension Agent
 - CEA will be automatically emailed a recommendation survey
- Applications are **due April 15, 2018**. Applicants will be notified by early June, 2018 regarding the application result

Judging Teams Forming:

Be sure to make contact each group coach to be placed on their contact list:

Wool / Mohair Judging—Coach Mike Salisbury: email– mike.salisbury@angelo.edu

Meats Judging: Coach Mark Zoeller: email—mzoeller@angelo.edu

Range Evaluation: Coach Sandra Pfeuffer: email-pfeufferfamily@gmail.com

Soil Judging: Coach Nicole Stovall: email: nic1185@yahoo.com

Club News:

TGC 4-H Building Update!

We want to remind our many groups and clubs of a few reminders while using the building for meetings and gatherings. Our Concho Valley Master Gardeners work very hard on the landscaping outside the building. The group is CONTINUALLY working on the demonstration beds on the north side of the building and hope each group will work to keep the area presentable.

We ask ALL 4-Hers and parents to help keep the facilities in good condition. Please do NOT enter the greenhouse as this area is for work with the Master Gardeners and there have been some things (minor in nature) broken and a few plants/trees robbed of their fruit. We also hope that you will help us to keep the building clean and picked up after each use. It takes just a little time to pick up trash or food and place in the dumpster out behind the building. Even keeping tables and the kitchen cabinets clean will help to keep the areas clean and free from “active & unwanted” critters. We remind everyone that a regular cleaning with your help will be greatly appreciated. Please help us keep these areas, both inside and outside the building, supervised from inquiring minds and take pride to keep the building in top notch shape for the next group!

Tom Green 4-H Rifle Club

So proud of our kids! They did great at the shooting match on January 27 at Brady Indoor Contest. Today's event was a great learning experience for the shooters and parents. Thank you coaches!

Junior BB: 1 Barker, Anna Laura (123)

2 Nikolauk, Riley (132)

3 Chesser, Katie (129)

4 Bennett, Ann Marie (131)

8 Barker, Major (124)

10 Killam, Sierra (127)

13 Woods, Braley (130)

14 Harris, Boone (125)

15 Smith, Ryan (128)



Intermediate BB: 3. Nikolauk, Garrison (126)

Intermediate 3P Sporter Air: 2. Chesser, David (110); 3. Garrison Nikolauk (114)

Senior 3P Sporter Air: 4. Barker, Sterling (109)

Intermediate 3P Precision Air: 1. Chesser, David (109); 3. Nikolauk, Garrison (108)

Senior 3P Precision Air: 2. Barker, Sterling (107)

Intermediate Precision Air: 2. Chesser, David (112)

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We had a great two day raffle held during the Silver Spur Gun & Knife Show this weekend (Jan 13-14). Crystal Lewis won the Savage 243. We were able to fundraise \$910. WOW! Thanks everyone who was able to help.

Angelo Bluebonnet Club

The Angelo Bluebonnet 4-H Club met on January 8th, 2018 at 4:00 PM, at the Suggs Community room inside the Central Library. The meeting was led by the 1st Vice President, Nathan Waldron. The topic of the meeting was Leadership, and a presentation was given by Shelby Black. The date for the annual Children's Project Fair was given, and the club community service project was given to be a donation of stuffed animals for children. The meeting was adjourned, and Nathan Waldron introduced the club program on exercising good communication skills.

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For more information:

<http://tomgreen.agrilife.org>

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Upcoming Events:

- February 2-17: San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo
*2nd - Opening show of Rodeo, Coliseum; 3rd - Parade, Downtown;
 2nd-3rd - Does, Tx Star Doe Show & Sale; 3rd -5th - Goat & Lamb Shows;
 9th-11th - Breeding Shows-Gilts; 5th-6th - Jr Steer Shows;
 13th-15th - Barrow Shows; 15-18 -Breeding Sheep; 16-Rabbit Show;
 Feb 17 - Sale*
- February 7-25: San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo
- February 14: Valentine's Day
- February 16: District 7 Consumer Decision Making Contest, SA Fairgrounds
- February 19: President's Day; County offices will be closed.
- February 27: District 7 Horse Judging Contest, Coleman
- March 7-26: Houston Livestock Shows - Houston
- March 10: Hunter Education Safety Class, 4-H Building
- March 12 - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 13-18: Spring Break; Area schools closed
- March 11-25: Rodeo Austin- Star of Texas Livestock Show - Austin
- March 17: St. Patrick's Day
- March 16: 4-H Photography PICS due to Office for County Contest
- March 26: Leaders 4 Life District 7 Contest - Grape Creek
- March 30: Good Friday, County Holiday - Offices Closed
- April 1: Easter Sunday
- April 3: D7 Duds to Dazzle Contest, Coleman
- April 3: Photography Photos – due to District Office.
- April 7: Annual Plant Sale sponsored by CVMaster Gardeners, 4H Bldg
- April 15: Photography Senior division projects due to State Office
- April 17: District 7 Horse, Beef & Swine Quiz Bowl contests
- April 18: D7 4-H Meats Judging Contest, ASU Meats Lab
- April 19: County Roundup Contest, 4H Bldg, 5:30 PM
- April 22: Children's Fair - Unidad Park
- April 28: D7 4-H Rifle Contest, Brady
- April 28: Range Evaluation Contest (Tentative) - Eldorado
- April 27-28: Kids, Kows & More! Program for SAISD, 4H Bldg
- May 5: Tom Green 4-H Family Fun Night-4H Bldg.
- May 11: District Roundup - ASU
- May 11: Swine Skill-A-Thon, 4H Bldg
- May 12: 21st Annual Shamrock Shuffle, Wells Fargo Pavilion



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