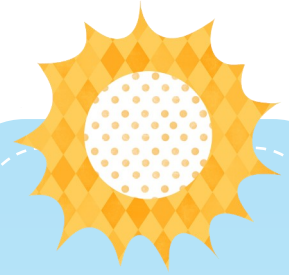




August 2014



Limestone County 4-H "The Talk"

Plans are underway for a great 4-H year!

We will be kicking off the 2014-2015 4-H year with a fun-filled **Fall 4-H Festival!** Join us on September 13 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm and be sure to bring a friend. We will send out information soon on the location and a request for help.

To put on the festival, we need 4-Hers and parents to sign up to staff booths and activity stations. Four-H members can sign up for one hour of booth time and in exchange you will get one meeting credit.

Meeting Schedule

Groesbeck 4-H	Monday, Sept. 8, 6:00 pm, H.O. Whitehurst
Mexia 4-H	Tuesday, Sept. 2, 6:30 pm, Gibbs Library
Kosse 4-H	Monday, Sept 1, 6:30 pm, Kosse Community Center (officers meet at 6:00 pm)
Shooting Sports	Mondays, 6:00 pm, Show Barn
Limestone Leaders	Contact Lynn Parsons for schedule

Please remember—you have to join 4-H every year to stay a 4-H member! Sign up starting August 15, 2014.

Be sure to fill out your green enrollment form and turn it in to your club manager or to Miss Wanda in the Extension office. Remember that the participation fee is only \$20 before November 1. October 30th is the county deadline to have your green form & payment in to the Extension office for one step in the LCFA show eligibility.

Note—Clover Kids do not pay a participation fee—the fee only applies to bonafide 4-H members who are at least 8 years old and in the 3rd grade.

Important Dates

August

- 8/4 Registration deadline for cooking camp
- 8/7-8 Food Challenge Boot Camp—cooking day camp, 1—4:30 pm
- 8/15 Green enrollment forms available to sign up for new 4-H year
- 8/18 State fair entries due
- 8/20 4-H & Youth Development Advisory Board meeting, 6 pm
- 8/25 Major show lamb & goat tag orders due, \$10 per tag

September

- 9/1 New 4-H year begins!
- 9/8 HOT fair entries due
- 9/13 Fall 4-H Festival, 4:00–7:00 pm
- 9/27-10/20 State Fair of Texas, Dallas

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Learning Opportunity

Don't forget to sign up and attend the Food Challenge Boot Camp!. We will cook and eat some fabulous food, including learning to bake bread!

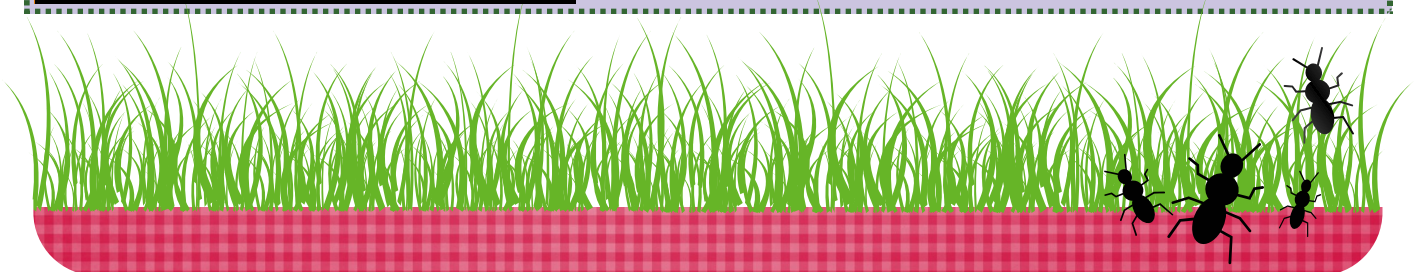
Last year's Food Challenge Boot Camp had a great group and we made Summer Bounty Salad, Soft Pretzels, Fiesta Chicken Skillet Dinner, and Ham & Cheese Muffins,



This camp is a great deal—2 days for \$10 (plus an additional \$10 if not a 4-H member).

Registration & payment deadline is Monday, August 4, by 4:30 pm at the Extension office. You can also find a registration form online,

<http://bit.ly/1noLeQj>

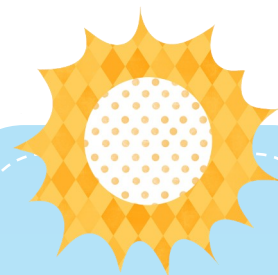


District Recordbook Results

Limestone County 4-H sent one recordbook to District 8 Recordbook judging. **Rebecca Fisher** competed in the Foods & Nutrition category and placed 3rd.

We are very proud of these youth! By completing recordbooks, 4-H members become eligible for county 4-H Bronze Star, Silver Star, and Gold Star awards that are recognized yearly at our 4-H Awards Ceremony. Recordbooks also serve as a record of all you do over your 4-H career. It's so easy to forget all the wonderful things that you do in 4-H. Keeping a recordbook is **super-helpful** once you start applying for scholarships and college. Make sure **YOU** fill out a recordbook to be eligible for these awards next year!!

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth_recordbooks



Important Dates, continued

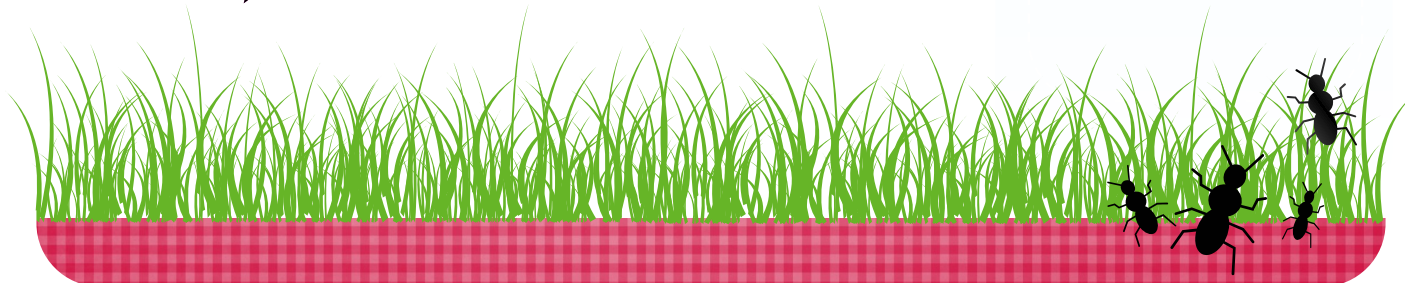
October

- 9/27-10/20 State Fair of Texas, Dallas
- 10/1-10/27 Registration open for Postal League
- 10/3-12 Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo, Waco
- 10/5 Texas 4-H Sunday
- 10/5-11 National 4-H Week
- 10/11 One Day 4-H
- 10/15 Last day to submit photos online for 2014 Texas State Preservation Board Photo Contest
- 10/30 4-H green enrollment form & participation fee due by **NOON** to the Extension office for county show eligibility. 4-H participation fee also goes up after this date to \$25
- TBA County Food Challenge & Food Show
- TBA Limestone County 4-H Open Invitational Archery Tournament, LC Fairgrounds



A special thanks to the wonderful 4-H Club Managers who helped to make the Limestone County 4-H Banquet & Pool Party a big success. It would not have happened without you!

Thank you, too, to the parents who attended and brought or sent food.



2014 Texas 4-H Roundup Report

This year, Limestone County 4-Hers participated in a couple of events. First, the Beef Quiz Bowl competed. The team won a match and lost two and were eliminated but great effort from Limestone County 4-Hers Hadley O'Hair, Raelynn Swinnea, and Zane Kantor (L-R). Proud of these young people!! They placed 2nd at District and had to qualify to attend Roundup! Zane and Raelynn will be headed off to college and Hadley will need a few more teammates for next year so if you have any interest the beef cattle, this is a great project for you.

The second event was the Food Show. Rebecca Fisher (photo on the right) won 1st place at District and qualified to move on to state Roundup. For the Food Show contest at state, the 4-Her has to cook their recipe on-site and then present it to the judges. Nutrition knowledge is essential to do well in this contest. She made a wonderful pumpkin custard and took 2nd place at state! Way to go!!



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Don't forget to pick up your Limestone County Fair thank you lists, plaques, or checks at the Extension office!

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