

4-H FLASH



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©GGIGE NoTE Daylight Savings time begins on March 13th—spring forward. This office will be closed on March 25th in observance of Good Friday.



SHOOTING SPORTS

<u>ARCHERY</u>: We will be starting the Archery program on March 1st at 6:00 pm. We will meet at the Benjamin School and have a safety orientation with practice. The District 3 4-H Indoor Archery Match will be April 22-23 in Graham with registration via 4-H Connect January 15-April 7.

<u>SHOTGUN</u>: Starts up on March 3rd at 5:00 pm. We will meet at the Benjamin Courthouse and also be starting with safety orientation and then heading out to the range to get some shooting in if weather permits. The District 3 Trap Contest will be May 21 in Iowa Park with an entry deadline of April 29.

<u>PISTOL</u>: Started on January 31st. Practices will be held on Sundays at 3:00 pm (times subject to change—will notify through email). The District 3 Rolling Plains 4-H Rifle & Pistol Shoot will be April 30 in Wichita Falls with an entry deadline of April 18 (postmarked by).

I know a few have expressed interest in rifle and we are still trying to work that in. Be watching for emails for times and dates if you are interested in participating. For more information, call us at the office (940-459-2651) or look on the web at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/ for rules and regulations.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR "DUDS TO DAZZLE" TEAM MEMBERS

The Junior Team: Shawn Earthman, Morgan Earthman, Belle Earthman, and Nate Earthman The Senior Team: Corrie Earthman, Ryan Earthman, and McKayla Coplen

Each team won first place at the competition in Graham on February 10th & the Senior Team advances to State. If you see them out and about, tell them what an awesome job they did!

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE "KNOX COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW" WINNERS

Lane Addington-3rd and 4th Place Broilers, Junior Showmanship Conner Moore-1st and 2nd Single Fryer, Grand & Reserve Champion, 1st Place Pen Frvers, Grand Champion Jonah Duke- 3rd Place Single Fryer, Junior Showmanship, 3rd Place Pen Fryers Daniel Duke-2nd Place Pen Fryers, Reserve Champion McKayla Coplen-4th Light Place Goat Rvan Shaver-2nd Place Light Goat Emily Shaver-1st Place Light Goat, Reserve Grand Champion John Shaver-3rd Place Light Goat, Junior Showmanship, 2nd Place Heavy Goat Josiah Coplen-3rd Place Light Goat, Junior Showmanship, 1st Place Heavy Goat, Grand Champion Jordan Ruiz-1st Place Light Berkshire, Breed Champion, 3rd Place Heavy Hamp Melanie Ruiz-2nd Place Light Berkshire, 2nd Place Light Spot, 3rd Place Heavy Spot, 4th Place Light Cross, 2nd Place Heavy Cross, Junior Showmanship, 7th Place Heavy Cross Kaleb Whittle-1st Place Heavy Berkshire, Reserve Champion, 1st Place Light Hamp Callie Cude-5th Place Heavy Hamp, 1st Place Mid Cross Melissa Rogers-6th Place Chester Brice Thompson-1st Place Chester, Breed Champion, 3rd Place Duroc Sydney Thompson-5th Place Heavy Cross Kendall Thompson-1st Place Light Cross, Reserve Champion, 3rd Place Heavy Cross Madison Thompson-4th Place Duroc, 4th Place Heavy Hamp Kristen Kuehler-1st and 2nd Place Market Lamb Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, Senior Showmanship, 2nd Place Chester, Reserve Breed Champion, 2nd Place Light Cross, 1st Place Heavy Cross, Grand Champion, Breed Champion Shaylee Landreth-5th Place Dorper

We had numerous winners and congratulations to all. Great job on the hard work!



FASHION STORYBOARD

Fashion storyboard will be held March 16th in Archer City. Deadline for entries is March 13th to the District Office and we have to have storyboards in Archer City by March 16th.

The 4-H Fashion Storyboard is an industry-inspired method of displaying original designs. The best storyboards create vivid visual images that are interesting and appealing to viewers. The storyboard "tells the story" of the designer's idea. The storyboard includes original illustrations and flats, as well as additional materials (such as photos from the Internet or magazines, paper, fabric swatches, patterns, etc.) that have influenced the unique design.

The purpose of the Fashion Storyboard contest is to give 4-H members an opportunity to create a storyboard of their original design. It also provides the members an opportunity to gain knowledge of the career responsibilities of a fashion designer and illustrator, enhance creativity and originality, and develop visual communication skills. If you think you may want to participate, give us a call!



PHOTOGRAPHY

Are you are interested in being in the 4-H photography contest? Now is the time to start thinking about it! There will be 15 categories. You can submit one photo per category, but you do not have to enter each category. This means you can submit one photo or a max of 15 photos. Any photos you enter must be saved on to a flash drive (you will get this back). The district contest deadline will be April 1, 2016 at 5:00 pm. We will be setting a date for the County deadline before that so be watching for emails! Please note there is no fee to enter the county or district contest. That is only for the state competition, which is for seniors only.



UPCOMING DATES

March 16—D-3 Fashion Storyboard Event March 30—D-3 Fashion Show entries due April 1—D-3 Photography entries due April 9—D-3 Fashion Show April 15—Beef/Horse Quiz Bowl entries due April 18—D-3 Rifle/Pistol entry deadline April 25—Beef/Horse Quiz Bowls April 29—D-3 Trap entry deadline April 30—D-3 Rifle/Pistol Shoot May 1—District Roundup May 21—D-3 Trap Shoot



• **4-H MEETINGS** March 14—Munday April 11—Benjamin May 9—Knox City



4-H NEWS AND EVENTS APP

As a part of the Texas 4-H "Let's Go, Let's Grow" initiative, we are proud to announce the 4-H News and Events App for every county in the state. The app is available for iPhone and Android devices, and best of all it's FREE! The app has three different tabs to keep members updated on 4-H events. It includes a news section and calendar tab. Another tab is called "The Post." This will serve as a local 4-H bulletin board. The app will also have information on district events, state events, 4-H Roundup and 4-H Center Programs. Please use the download instructions below to get started using the app:

For iPhones:

- 1. Go to the App Store.
- 2. Search for "4-H News and Events."
- 3. Select app for "4-H News and Events."
- 4. Tap on "Install." Enter your Apple ID.
- 5. Select Texas and your County.

For Androids:

- 1. Go to Play Store.
- 2. Search for "4-H News and Events."
- 3. Select app for "4-H News and Events."
- 4. Tap on "Install."
- 5. Select Texas and your County.



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