

# Bell County 4-H

## May 2014 Newsletter

### May

**May 1:** Horse Certification/Validation Deadline

**May 1:** District L4L Contest, Belton FUMC

**May 2:** Texas 4-H Congress, email Micah

**May 2:** Volunteer and 4-H Award/Ambassador Applications Due, CEO

**May 4:** Tractor Supply Fundraiser Ends

**May 8:** Photo Judging Practice, 6-8pm, CEO

**May 9:** Deadline to register for State Dog Show, 4-H Connect

**May 12:** Group Leader Notification for D-8 Camp, email Micah

**May 13:** County Council Officer Intent to Run Forms Due, CEO

**May 15:** Photography Contest Deadline, Mail in

**May 15:** Safety Day, 7:30am, EXPO

**May 15:** Clothing Advisory Board, 6pm, CEO

**May 16:** Ag Awareness Day, 9am-12pm

**May 16:** Clover Kid Fair Entry Deadline

**May 17:** Texas 4-H Roundup Deadline, 4-H Connect

**May 20:** County Council, 6:30pm, CEO

**May 20:** Fuddruckers Day, Temple and Killeen

**May 22:** Ambassador and Award Interviews, 4-6pm, CEO

**May 22:** Club Manager Training, 6:30pm, CEO

**May 23:** State Fair of Texas Broiler Orders Due, CEO

**May 30:** District 8 County Camp Registration

**May 31:** Leadership Lab Deadline & District Officer Application Deadline

**May 31:** Clover Kid Fair, 9am-2pm, CEO

### June

**June 2:** Turkey Orders Due

**June 2:** Healthy Lifestyles Practice, 4-7pm

**June 9-13:** Texas 4-H roundup, College Station

**June 16:** Recordbook Due

**June 16:** Clover Safety Fair RSVP

**June 16:** Duds to Dazzle RSVP, CEO

**June 16-17:** District Horse Show, Belton Expo

**June 17:** State Horse Show Entries

**June 19:** Duds to Dazzle Workshop, 9am-3pm, CTCS

**June 19:** Banquet Committee Meeting, 6pm, CEO

**June 20:** County Recordbook Judging, 9am, CEO

**June 21:** Clover Safety Fair

**June 24:** State Fair Validation, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Expo

**June 24:** Steer Validation, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Expo

**June 24-27:** District Leadership Lab, New Braunfels

**June 28:** Commercial Steer Workshop, 9 am, Oenaville Community Center

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## Camps for 2014

All 4-H Camps for this year have been updated on the Bell County 4-H Website! Please go to: <http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-activities/campinformation/> for all the information about camps!

For this month, here are the new Camps on the website:

## Major Summer Events

Here is a list of the major summer events being held by Bell County 4-H! Please note these are only MAJOR summer events and some may not be as major as others. Also note events may be added as the summer continues. Please see our next month's newsletter for more as well as our camps and workshops website for more opportunities!

If the event says "County Reservation Form" then the form is available at:

| Camp/Workshop/Event                    | Date                    | Entry/RSVP Dead-line  | Place   | How to Register                           |
|--|-------------------------|---|---|---|
| Texas 4-H Roundup                      | June 9-13               | May 17  | College Station                                       | 4-H Connect                               |
| Duds to Dazzle Workshop                | June 19                 | June 16   | Central Texas Christian School                        | County Reservation Form                   |
| District Horse Show                    | June 16-17              | May   | Bell County Expo                                      | 4-H Connect                               |
| Recordbooks and Recordbook Judging     | County judging: June 20 | Recordbooks due: June 16  | County Extension Office                               | County Extension Office                   |
| Clover Safety Fair                     | June 21                 | June 16   | County Extension Office                               | County Reservation Form                   |
| Leadership Lab                         | June 24-27              | May 1-31 (150 spots only, register quickly)                                     | New Braunfels   | 4-H Connect                               |
| Commercial Steer Workshop              | June 28                 |   | Oenaville Community Center                            | County Extension Office                   |
| Texas 4-H Dog Show                     | July 11-13              | April 4, 2014 to May 9, 2014  | Bell County Expo                                      | 4-H Connect                               |
| District 8 County Camp                 | July 11-13              | May 30 <sup>th</sup><br>If you want to be a group leader, must know by May 12th | Lakeview Methodist Conference Center<br>Palestine, TX | County Extension Office                   |
| Texas 4-H Congress                     | July 13-16              | May 2 (email Micah-first 10 accepted)   | Austin  | Email/4-H Connect once accepted by County |
| Clover Kid Day Camp                    | July 14* New date       | July 7  | County Extension Office                               | County Reservation Form                   |
| Cake Decorating Workshop               | July 21                 | July 14   | County Extension Office                               | County Reservation Form                   |
| Club Officer Workshop and Rec Day Camp | July 17                 | July 14   | County Extension Office                               | County Reservation Form                   |
| Summer Clothing Day Camp               | July 28-29              | July 14   | County Extension Office                               | County Reservation Form                   |
| Safe Sitter Course                     | July 31, 9am-4pm        | July 7  | County Extension Office                               | County Reservation Form                   |
| Chef Day Camp                          | August 14               | August 4  | County Extension Office                               | County Reservation Form                   |
| Vet Science Day Camp                   | August 4-6              | July 14   | Bell County Expo                                      | County Reservation Form                   |



## 4-H Clover Kids Club



4-H Clover Kids Club will be focused on the 5-8 years old (Kindergarten to 2nd grade) and preparing them for their adventure as a 4-H'er. See the programs and dates for each meeting below. Cost to be in the Clover Kids Club will be \$20 but will cover all the materials for the year which include many take home projects! Parents are encouraged to attend with their children to each of the meetings but are not required to stay with them. Club Manager will be Dawn Brown and the Bell County 4-H Ambassadors and County Council Officers will be assisting each meeting to help with activities! The time of each meeting will be 2-4pm except for the Clover Kid Fair, Clover Kid Camp, and Summer Meetings which may change in times. The location is at the Central Texas Christian School located at: 4141 W FM 93 Temple, TX.

To be a Clover Kid for the new year, you must still enroll on 4-H Connect. The cost is free to enroll. Clover Kids can be in more than just Clover Kid Club. They are welcome to be in another club as well and participate with them.

| Date                   | Program                                    | Project Related to Activity                       |
|------------------------|--|---|
| May 31 <sup>st</sup>   | Clover Kid Fair                            | All Projects                                      |
| June 21 <sup>st</sup>  | Let's be Safe- Safety Fair for clover kids | Safety  |
| July 14 <sup>th</sup>  | Clover Kid Camp                            | All Projects- Recreation and Recordbooks included |
| August 1 <sup>st</sup> | Clover Kid Recordbooks Due                 | All Projects                                      |

### Cake Decorating Workshop

This year we will be providing 2 cake decorating workshops on **July 21**: 9-11am and 1-3pm County Extension Office. RSVP Deadline of July 14<sup>th</sup> and on the county reservation form: Both workshops will be \$5 and will include the icing and cake. Below is the information:

**July 21**: Icing Class- 9am-11am: We will learn the basics of buttercream icing and decorating cakes. Ages 8-11. (Older youth can participate but primarily geared for these ages).

**July 21**: Fondant Class- 1-3pm: We will learn the basics and some advanced decorating with fondant. Ages 12-18. (Only open for these ages)



## Bell County 4-H Council 2013-2014 Information



### Council Meetings

**Purpose of County Council** - The purpose of County Council is for 4-H members from each club to come and share what they are doing in their club and get ideas from other clubs on activities and help plan county wide activities.

**TIME: 6:30 PM**  
**LOCATION: CEO**

| MONTH & DATE | THEME                      | PROGRAM                  | DISCUSSION TOPIC                                       |
|--------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| September 23 | White Out                  | Vet Science              | County Clubs<br>Community Service<br>Project Selection |
| November 25  | Disney Movie<br>Characters | Robotics                 | What Do You<br>Want To Learn?                          |
| January 21   | Project Dress Up           | National Booths          | July 4 <sup>th</sup> Activities                        |
| March 24     | Camo                       | Outdoor                  | 2014 One Day 4-H<br>Project Selection                  |
| May 20       | 4-H Spirit Night           | Summer Workshops<br>Fair | Council Officer<br>Elections -<br>Candidates Rally     |

# Summer Fair



**May 20**  
**6:30pm**



**County Council Meeting; County Extension Office**

Come join us for the Summer Fair at the County Council Meeting on May 20th! All 4-H members and parents are welcome to attend! We will be learning about the many opportunities and events going on during the summer! Come and browse and learn about all these fun activities!

## Recordbook Materials

The recordbook materials have been updated on the website. If you have missed the trainings or wanted more information, it is now all updated! The section and tips handout will be VERY handy when doing your NEW recordbook! Please read it very carefully! Good Luck! Deadlines are on the website!

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-activities/recordbooks/>

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## 4-H Banquet

The 4-H Banquet is set for **August 23, 2014**, so please mark your calendar. The banquet cost will be FREE. We also need pictures for the slideshow. Pictures can be burned on to a CD or flash drive and dropped by the Extension Office. The last day to accept pictures will be **August 2nd**. Pictures are for the slideshow which is a great opportunity to show what clubs and 4-H members have been doing all year. Please make sure and give pictures so your club and your family are in the slideshow!

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## State Fair of Texas Broiler



4-H members who plan to show broilers in Dallas should contact Heidi or Pam no later than **May 23, 2014** at 254-933-5305.



## 4-H Livestock Link

We have a new 4-H Livestock page on the Bell County 4-H Website:

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/projects/4-h-livestock/>

We will be posting jackpots on the website for your information!







## Photography Project Meetings

All locations are at the CEO

**Thursday, May 8** - Photo Judging Practice 6-8

Please email all questions  
to:

familycoffman@aol.com



# BELL COUNTY 4-H HUNTER'S SPECTACULAR





**SAVE THE DATE!!**

Hunter Spectacular is scheduled  
September 27, 2014

Need to have more family meals together?? Want to help 4-H make some money? Bring your family to Fuddruckers this Spring!

All you have to do is pay for your meal and drop your receipt in the basket labeled "4-H" and 4-H will receive money!!

Fuddruckers locations are:

Temple in the Mall (Proceeds go to Bell County 4-H)

Killeen on 190 (Proceeds go to Military 4-H)

**Remaining dates for this spring/summer are:**

**May 20, July 22, August 19**

**Go and eat a great meal with your family and support the 4-H program!**



## Bell County 4-H Council Officer Elections

The Bell County 4-H Council will be electing officers for the 2014-2015 4-H year at the May meeting. **To run for an officer position an "Intent To Run" form must be filled out and be turned into the 4-H office ON OR BEFORE MAY 13, 2014...NO EXCEPTIONS.**

The "Intent To Run" forms are available on the Bell County 4-H website.

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-clubs-and-councils/4-h-county-council/>

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### Texas 4-H Congress



Texas 4-H Congress is the premiere citizenship and leadership experience for Texas 4-H members between the ages of 15 and 18. Held on the even numbers years in the Texas State Capitol, Texas 4-H Congress allows 4-H members to experience the law making process first hand by writing, submitting, and then serving as a member of the House of Representatives, the Senate, the Press, or as a Lobbyist. From these roles, the 4-H members determine the fate of each bill submitted over the four day event.

#### **QUOTA ALERT!!!!**

A select number of 4-H delegates will be allotted to each district. SO DON'T DELAY APPLYING!!!!

Costs: Bell County 4-H will pay for those who are accepted! See flyer in newsletter about the roles of Texas 4-H Congress!

Please email Micah by Friday, May 2nd to get in! Only 10 spots to apply for Bell County.

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- May 1, 2014 - Bill submission opens
- May 16, 2014 - Press Corps and Lobbyist notification
- May 20, 2014 - Online registration opens via 4-H Connect
- June 16, 2014 - Bill submission closes
- June 16, 2014 - Online registration closes
- July 13, 2014 - Texas 4-H Council and Management Team arrives
- July 15, 2014 - District delegates arrive

# Turkey Orders

Any 4-H exhibitors who plan to show turkeys in 2015 at the Bell County Youth Fair, Houston, San Antonio, or Star of Texas Fair, must order birds no later than **June 2, 2014**.



Birds must be ordered in multiples of 5. For more information, contact Pam or Heidi in the Extension Office at 254-933-5305.



## 2014 Texas 4-H Roundup

If you haven't had the opportunity yet to visit the **2014 Texas 4-H Roundup** page on Facebook, it is a great way to let your friends and fellow 4-Hers know of the upcoming events by "liking" the 2014 Texas 4-H Roundup page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/roundup14>

There are some great workshops available for 4H youth and adults! (If you are interested, please email Micah Holcombe!)

**Deadline for entries: May 17th**

## MAB Meeting/Club Manager Training

We will be having a MAB meeting on **May 22, 2014 at 6:30pm at the CEO**. **ALL CLUB MANAGERS AND ASST CLUB MANAGERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND!!!!** This meeting will be a major meeting because we will do the club manager training at this meeting. We also plan to vote on officers. This will be a HUGE and IMPORTANT meeting. We will be having a potluck dinner so bring your favorite dish to share with everyone! Drinks will be provided. FYI this meeting may take longer than expected because of the training so please make time to come. **Also, this meeting is NOT just for club and asst. club managers, all parents and leaders are invited.**

We must have over 50% of the clubs to vote from each of the clubs. If you cannot attend, you **MUST** find a replacement from your club to represent you at the club meeting! Each club is allowed a maximum of **3 votes**.





## Bell County 4-H Awards



All 4-H members applying for awards (Gold, Silver or Bronze Star; Rookie, Honor Roll, All-Star Letterman; Danforth, Senior Awards Outstanding Community Service, must submit the appropriate paperwork and applications by **May 2, 2014**. Award Interviews will be on **May 22, 2014** at the Bell County Extension Office. Record books for county competition will be due **June 16, 2014**. Awards age based on age as of August 31, 2013.

Graduating seniors for the 2014 year, who are members of 4-H, may apply to receive a Senior Award, to be presented at the Bell County 4-H Awards Banquet. Seniors must have been active and meet the requirements listed on the application.

Other descriptions and awards information is available on the Bell County 4-H Website by going to: <http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-activities/4-h-awards/>

## ADULT LEADER AWARDS

### OUTSTANDING LEADER AWARDS:

Bell County 4-H volunteer leaders and Bell County 4-H County Council will solicit nominations and vote to select two individuals to be recognized at the Annual 4-H Banquet for "Distinguished Service." One will be chosen by the MAB and one chosen by 4-H members. 4-H volunteer leaders who are chosen for this award include outstanding club managers, leaders, project leaders, workshop leaders and volunteer leaders who go above and beyond their leader capabilities.

**OUTSTANDING LEADER AWARD-** The Outstanding Leader Award chosen from the 4-H member requires an essay no longer than 1 page. **The ESSAYS ARE DUE May 2, 2014!** The essay should include the following:

Name of Person Making Nomination

Leader Nominated

Date

Why do you think this leader is an outstanding leader?

What does this leader do that is outstanding?

Examples: Teaches others new projects, takes 4-Hers on tours, leads club, etc.

How has this leader helped you?

How has this leader helped others?

Nominations should be emailed to [mlholcombe@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:mlholcombe@ag.tamu.edu)

## 2014 4-H Horse Certification/Validation

**DEADLINE:** March 1, 2014-April 15, 2014 for \$10.00 per horse OR April 16, 2014-May 1, 2014 for \$20.00 per horse

**For 2014, the horse validation process will be completed electronically using the 4-H Connect online management system.** All 4-H Members who wish to show at their District Show or the State 4-H Horse Show will be **REQUIRED** to validate their horse(s) on the 4-H Connect system. Horse validation is completed for EACH HORSE and will cover all 4-H youth members in that family profile. When validating your horse(s) on 4-H Connect, you will select ONLY ONE 4-H youth member to conduct the validation under. Once a horse is validated, validation paid, and you begin registering for the District Horse Show, the validated horse(s) can be moved to the appropriate 4-H member(s) that will be exhibiting the horse in that show. Validation will open from March 1, 2014-April 15, 2014 for \$10.00 per horse OR April 16, 2014-May 1, 2014 for \$20.00 per horse. Any horse validated before or after this date will **NOT** be accepted. An illustrated step-by-step instruction guide for families is available for download and reference on the Texas A&M University Department of Animal Science – Equine Science website: (<http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/state-4h-show/>).

Validation is required for showing at district or state horse shows, and its purpose is to certify that ownership requirements have been met. The horse **MUST** be owned solely by the 4-H member, his/her parents (biological or stepparents), brother, sister, grandparents, or legal guardian.

Much MORE information can be found on the Bell County 4-H Horse Project Website: <http://agrilife.org/bell4h/projects/4-h-livestock/horseproject/>

**Dates to remember:** Horse Activity dates to put on your calendar now!!!!

**May 1, 2014**—Deadline to Validate ownership for District 8 and State Competition

**TBA (MAY)** - Deadline to submit entries for the District 8 Horse Show to the County Extension Office (forms available after Validation is complete)

**June 16-17, 2014**—District 8 Horse Show at the Bell County Expo Center

**July 19-26, 2014**—State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene (entries due at the District Horse Show June 18)

## Applying for Bell County 4-H Ambassador?

The Bell County 4-H Ambassador Program aims to project a clear and accurate image of the Texas and Bell County 4-H & Youth Development Program. They help older youth develop leadership and communication skills, help the public understand the full scope of the 4-H program, and recruit new members from diverse backgrounds.

Bell County 4-H Members must meet the following requirements to be considered for selection as a Bell County 4-H Ambassador:

Be at least 14 years of age as of August 31 on the year of application.

Example: the 4-H youth must be 14 on August 31, 2014, to be eligible to be a 4-H Ambassador for the 2014-2015 4-H year. If a 4-H youth is 13 at the time of the application deadline in May, they may still apply if they will reach their 14th birthday before August 31st.

**Submit a complete application, due on May 2, 2014.**

A formal interview will be given after all applications have been submitted. Members will be notified for interview times.

Interviews will be formal dress.

RENEWAL OF AMBASSADORS:

Meet all activity requirements and minimum points by the **application deadline, May 2, 2014**, of the current 4-H year to be considered for renewal. (Recordbook is also a requirement and is due **June 16, 2014**).

Please turn in point sheets with renewal application!

For applications go to:

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-clubs-and-councils/ambassadors/>

**JAN. 10 – JUNE 12****4H - Where Change makes Cents****Spare change drive**

Empty your pockets and look between your couch cushions for any spare change to help raise money for the Texas 4-H Conference Center! We're raising money to install two Gaga Pits and a 9-hole disc golf course!

**A jar will be setting out in our County Extension Office for anyone that wants to donate!**

**We encourage clubs to do the same!**

The youth collecting the most funds in each district will be recognized with a ceramic tile (with their photo) on the Texas 4-H Center Wall of Fame



The district collecting the most funds will be recognized the Thursday of Texas 4-H Roundup with a pizza party.

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**WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CAMP FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

Twenty-five high school students (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) will be selected to participate in this camp in a variety of activities led by wildlife professionals. The camp is being held from July 20-26 at the Welder Wildlife Foundation in Sinton. I was hoping some of your 4-H students would apply for the camp. The cost of the camp is \$300 (covers all costs of room and food), and we strongly encourage students to contact their local farm bureau for scholarship support. Students can apply at: <http://www.wildlifecamp.tx.org/apply/new-camper-application/>. **Applications are due May 1<sup>st</sup>!**

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**State Fair Validation**

This will be held **June 24, 2014** at the Bell County Expo Center from **4:00pm-7:00p.m.** Anyone planning to show a lamb, goat, barrow, or steer at the State Fair of Texas must validate these on this day. Also, remember that exhibitors must also enter the State Fair in August through Heidi Prude at the County Extension Office or with your Ag Science teacher.



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**Steer Validation**

Steer validation for 4-H and FFA members will be held **June 24, 2014 from 4:00pm-7:00 p.m. at the Bell County Expo Center**. All exhibitors who plan to show at the State Fair in October, the Bell County Youth Fair, or any Major Livestock Show in 2014, must validate your steers on this day. A parent or guardian must be present to complete paperwork.

## 4-H Clothing and Textiles Project

**May 15:** Clothing Advisory Board Meeting/Zipper Workshop, 6pm, CEO



## Tractor Supply Company Fundraiser



The Spring 2014 TSC Paper Clover Campaign is scheduled **April 23-May 4**. The clovers are only \$1 and we received over \$1,978 this year from the last clover campaign. We really need clubs to help participate and pick a day to stand outside and sell the paper clovers. If your club is interested, please email Barbara Wood woodbtwice@gmail.com and sign up for a day to help! We have 2 stores in Bell County, Killeen and Temple. Please sign up and help! Funds help the county pay for workshops, camps & many other great opportunities for you as a member!

## *2014 Healthy Lifestyles Invitational*

The 4-H Healthy Lifestyles Invitational provides youth in the intermediate and senior age divisions the opportunity to participate in a competitive event and utilize the knowledge and skills gained through participation in 4-H healthy lifestyles programs. With a set-up similar to the Consumer Decision Making Contest, the healthy lifestyles invitational consists of two parts: (1) Judging -participants are presented with a scenario and must individually rank the four products/choices based upon the situation at-hand; (2) Presentation - teams are presented with a scenario and must work together within a given amount of time to analyze the situation, develop a solution and make a team presentation to a panel of judges. More information and resources are available online at:

[http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/healthy\\_lifestyles](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/healthy_lifestyles)

Bell County 4-H will be having meetings to prepare for the Healthy Lifestyles Contest. This contest is again open for all intermediates and seniors and you get to go automatically to Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station on **June 12, 2014**. (Deadline to register for Roundup is May 17th. Email Micah if interested.)

**Date for meeting is: June 2nd, 4pm-7pm, CEO**

Other dates will be determined after this meeting!!! This will be our orientation meeting and introduction to Healthy Lifestyles contest.

## Clover Kid Fair

When: **May 31, 2014**

Where: County Extension Office

Deadline: **MAY 16, 2014**

Website with form and entry form: <http://agrilife.org/bell4h/4-h-activities/clover-kids/>

The Clover Kid Fair is a chance for Clover Kids to participate in a fair just for them and showcase their projects! This is a great opportunity for them to become more familiar with what to expect as a 4-H member down the road. 4-H members ages 5 to 8 years old who have not yet entered the 3rd grade can participate in the fair.

There is NO fair entry fee required.

Clover Kids will be interviewed by a Bell County 4-H Ambassador or 4-H Youth Leader about the items they have entered into the fair.

All Clover Kids will receive a participation ribbon. This is not a competitive event.

There is a one entry per category limit. Example: Art – one cartooning and one painting, but not two in cartooning.

All items must be made by the Clover Kid under adult supervision. Items may be made at home, in school, at a 4-H meeting or event, at day care or at a camp.

All Clover Kids must turn in a fair entry form. ALL ENTRY FORMS ARE DUE MAY 16, 2014 TO THE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE.

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## Bell County 4-H Photography Going To State

**Congratulations** to all those photographers who are going to state in photography! Winners were Emma Coffman, Katherine Wood, Merah Winters, Brandon Hoelscher and Brady Alexander ! To see the winners and their photos go to:

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/projects/photographyproject/photography-contests/2014-photos-going-to-state/>

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## CLUB OFFICER WORKSHOP/REC DAY CAMP

We will be holding a club officer training workshop and rec day camp on **July 17<sup>th</sup>** at the County Extension Office. We will be training new club officers and helping them bring new ideas to their clubs. We will also be leading some new games they can take back to their club to make club meetings more fun! Please make sure and come and learn about your new club officer position. If you are not a club officer, you are also welcome to come and learn about the club officer positions you hope to run for in the future. Only ages 8-18. The workshop will be from 8am-12pm. RSVP by **July 14<sup>th</sup>** and must be done on the county reservation form.

## Photography Contest

The Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents (TAE4-HA), a professional Extension organization for County Extension Agents, Specialists, and Extension Administrators for the purpose of professionalism, collaboration, and youth development. The members from District IV delegation are hosting a photography contest for youth and adults to provide scholarship funds for district level 4-H leadership events, such as Fall Focus, District Lockin and Leadership Lab.

**ALL** photos must be received by the District IV Photography Committee Chair by 5 p.m. on **May 15, 2014.**

Late entries will not be accepted.

**Addressed to:**

ATTN: D4TAE4-HA Photography Contest  
C/O Dr. Tamra McGaughy  
10056 Marsh Ln, Suite B-101  
Dallas Texas, 75229

Contest participation will cost \$10.00 for the first photo and \$1.00 for each additional photo per individual. Payment can be check or money orders only and should be mailed with photo submissions. Payment should be made out to **D4AE4-HA Photography Contest**. Photos will not be consider as an entry until payment is received



Bell County Extension  
1605 N. Main, Room 102  
Belton, TX 76513  
Phone: 254.933.5305  
FAX: 254.933.5312

<http://agrilife.org/bell4h/>

BELL COUNTY  
4-H FOCUS



*Michah Holcombe*

Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status.

The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating





# SOUTHEAST DISTRICT 8



## COUNTY CAMP 2014

**Erath, Falls, Freestone, Hamilton,  
Hill, Johnson, Leon, Limestone,  
McLennan, Milam, Navarro, and**

**July 11 to 13, 2014**

**Lakeview Methodist Conference  
Center**

**Palestine, TX**

**For 4-Hers age 8 to 12 with 4-Hers  
age 13 to 18 serving as Teen Leaders**

### CAMP COST

**\$115 for Campers and Teen  
Leaders**

**\$75 for Adult Chaperones**

**Includes: Meals, Lodging,**

**Teen leaders are needed! We need Senior  
age 4-Hers to help as workshop leaders and  
or group leaders. Fill out a Teen Leader  
camp application and return it to your  
county agent by May 12th.**

### CAMP SCHEDULE

**Friday, July 11th**

***Camp Registration 5:00—6:00  
PM***

**Saturday, July 12th**

***Camp Activities***

☐ **YES! I'm attending!**

Please return to:

Or call our office at:

#### Payment Information

☐ Cash

☐ Check

**Total Paid:** \_\_\_\_\_

Medical forms & code of conduct  
forms can be found at your Extension

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Age of 4-H'er:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle One:** Male Female

**Circle One:** Youth Adult

**T-shirt Size Circle One:**

Youth Medium Youth Large Adult Small Adult

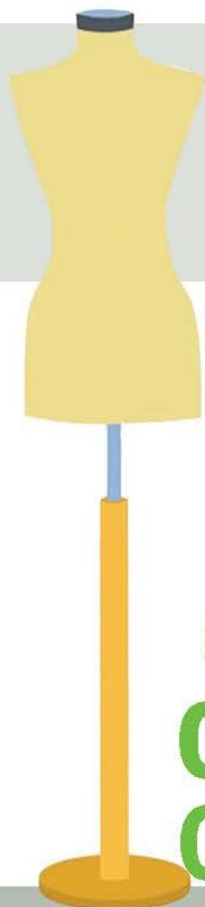
Medium Adult Large Adult X-Large

Adult XX-Large



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# The Texas 4-H



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## Clothing & Textile Competition



It is time to put some pizzazz into your 4-H Clothing and Textiles project! This hands-on contest gives 4-Hers the chance to shine as each team works to create a new product from an existing item using only their sewing supply kit, sewing closet and their previous sewing and design skills.

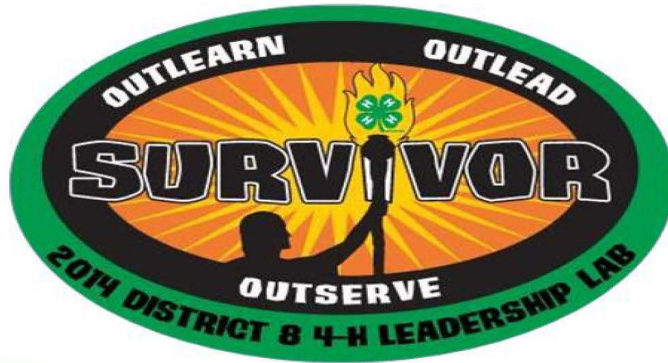
**Come Join Us On:** June 19, 2014; **RSVP:** June 16, 2014

**Time and Location:** 10am-2pm, Central Texas Christian School 4141 W Fm 93, Temple, TX 76502

**For More Information Contact:** Micah Holcombe, [mholcombe@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:mholcombe@ag.tamu.edu) or  
254-933-5305 (cost: \$15 to pay for lunch and supplies)



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**Tuesday - Friday  
June 24-27, 2014  
\$275 per participant  
Limit 150 youth  
Registration May 1-31  
on 4-H Connect**

<http://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/leadership-lab/>

**OFFICER ELECTIONS:** One of the major events of Leadership Lab will be the election of officers for the District 8 4-H Council. Refer to the standing rules for eligibility. **Council Officer applications are due to the District Office by May 31, 2014 (postmarked).** Refer to the officer election letter for further details.

That information can be found on the District 8 4-H Council Officer page:  
<http://d84-h.tamu.edu/district-4-h-council/>



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# tweet up!

twice with Texas 4-H in May!

**MAY 1<sup>st</sup> Texas 4-H Roundup**  
Get the latest and ask your questions to Dr. Kyle Merten as he updates you on the 2014 event!  
**7:30 to 8:30 pm**  
**#2014roundup**

**MAY 20<sup>th</sup> Texas 4-H Congress**  
Tips and hints on writing a successful bill for submission. Lead by Dr. Toby Lepley.  
**7:30 to 8:30 pm**  
**#tx4hcongress**

**How to participate:**

1. Log onto Twitter with your personal account.
2. Type in hash #tx4hconvo (and the hash tag for the tweet up you are participating in). See the conversation.
3. Ask your question by typing it and then tagging it with the following: @texas4h, #tx4hconvo, and either #2014roundup or #tx4hcongress.




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# Texas

## Courageous Family Camp

June 17-20, 2014

**Texas Courageous Family Camp** is a place where military families can enjoy camp activities apart from the day-to-day challenges of military life. The camp is a special experience that will create lifetime memories for these families. The camp program is packed with non-stop fun and all the camping can-do's families love. Families will have the opportunity to make new friends who also deal with the stresses of military life.

- **Activities:** The camp will include many of the fun activities provided at the 4-H Center these may include: color run, swimming, hiking, archery, ropes course, dancing, crafts, service project for soldiers, kayaking, water sports and much more.
- **Registration:** Opens April 8th. Each family is required to pay a \$50 deposit to reserve their spot. Registration will close on June 6th.
- **Accommodations:** Each family will stay together in hotel style rooms at the Leadership Lodge. Each room has two full size beds with a private bath.
- **Location:** The camp will be at the Texas 4-H Conference Center near Lake Brownwood.

*\*Only families with an immediate family member who has or is serving in the military are eligible for this camp*

Register at: <http://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/>

For more information call Mark @ 325.784.5482 or email: [jmcarroll@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jmcarroll@ag.tamu.edu)

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact the Texas 4-H Center to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made. Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status. The Texas A&M University System, The United States Department of Agriculture and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.



March 25, 2014



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To: County Extension Agents

From: Texas Cattle Feeders Association

Subject: 2014 Jr. Fed Beef Career & Leadership Program Application Deadline

Texas Cattle Feeders Association, in conjunction with Texas AgriLife Extension Service and West Texas A&M University, will host the 2014 Jr. Fed Beef Career and Leadership Program, popularly referred to as Feedyard Camp, June 23 – 25, in Canyon. This program is open to any incoming high school juniors and seniors who have an interest in pursuing a career in feedyard operations and management and the fed beef industry.

The camp is FREE to students, made possible through sponsorships by TCFA member feedyards and TCFA's Allied Industry companies. There is no registration fee for the camp; however, participants in the program are responsible for their transportation to and from Canyon.

Don't let your students miss the deadline to apply for Feedyard Camp. The deadline to apply is May 1, 2014. Interested students must fill out the application and return it to the TCFA office by May 1.

The selection committee will select 20 students to participate in the program; however, the selection committee reserves the right to determine the number of students selected. Selected students will be notified by May 15. To find the application, along with further program details, visit <http://www.tcfa.org/news-events/feedyard-camp.html>.

Should any questions arise, please contact Kayla Lanford at (806) 358-3681, or by email [kayla@tcfa.org](mailto:kayla@tcfa.org).



| Sun                                     | Mon   | Tue  | Wed | Thu  | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|---|--|-----|--|---|---|
|   |   |  |     | 1 District L4L Contest, Belton FUMC<br><br>Horse Certification/Validation Deadline                                   | 2 Texas 4-H Congress, email Micah<br><br>Volunteer and 4-H Award/Ambassador Applications Due, CEO | 3   |
| 4<br><br>Tractor Supply Fundraiser Ends | 5   | 6  | 7   | 8<br><br>Photo Judging Practice, 6-8pm, CEO  | 9<br><br>Deadline to register for State Dog Show, 4-H Connect                                     | 10  |
| 11                                      | 12<br><br>Group Leader Notification for D-8 Camp, email Micah | 13<br><br>County Council Officer Intent to Run Forms Due, CEO                    | 14  | 15. Safety Day, 7:30a.m., EXPO<br><br>Photography Contest Deadline, Mail In<br><br>Clothing Advisory Board, 6pm, CEO | 16<br><br>Ag Awareness Day, 9am-12pm, EXPO<br><br>Clover Kid Fair Entry Deadline                  | 17<br><br>Texas 4-H Roundup Deadline, 4-H Connect   |
| 18                                      | 19  | 20<br><br>County Council, 6:30pm, CEO<br><br>Fuddruckers Day, Temple and Killeen | 21  | 22. Ambassador and Award Interviews, 4-6pm, CEO<br><br>Club Manager Training, 6:30pm, CEO                            | 23<br><br>State Fair of Texas Broiler Orders Due, CEO   | 24  |
| 25                                      | 26  | 27   | 28  | 29   | 30<br><br>District 8 County Camp Registration   | 31<br><br>Clover Kids Fair, 9am-2pm, CEO<br><br>LeaderLab Deadline and District Office Application Deadline |



# June

| Sun | Mon  | Tue  | Wed   | Thu  | Fri                                    | Sat   |
|-----|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| 1   | 2<br>Healthy Lifestyles Practice, 4-7pm<br><br>Turkey Orders Due   | 3  | 4   | 5  | 6                                      | 7   |
| 8   | 9  | 10   | 11  | 12   | 13                                     | 14  |
|     | Texas 4-H Roundup, College Station →   |  |   |  |  |   |
| 15  | 16 District Horse Show, Belton Expo<br><br>Recordbook Due, CEO<br><br>Duds to Dazzle RSVP<br><br>Clover Safety Fair RSVP | 17 District Horse Show, Belton Expo<br><br>State Horse Show Entries                        | 18  | 19 Duds to Dazzle Workshop, 9am-3pm, CTCS<br><br>Banquet Committee Meeting, 6pm, CEO | 20 County Recordbook Judging, 9am, CEO | 21 Clover Safety Fair   |
| 22  | 23   | 24 State Fair Validation, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Expo<br><br>Steer Validation, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Expo | 25 District Leadership Lab, New Braunfels → | 26   | 27                                     | 28 Commercial Steer Workshop, 9am, Oenaville Community Center |
| 29  | 30   | 29   | 30  |  |  |   |