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4-H Newsletter

Spring 2012

Dear 4-H'ers, Parents and Leaders,

Spring is popping out all over the place, Anxious to show off the splendor that has been hidden from view during the cold of the winter. We hope everyone takes time to spend a few moments enjoying those first blooms. This spring is packed with activities that can help our 4-H'ers to blossom as well. I am sure there is something for each of you. Please stay connected with 4-H CONNECT. It is so easy to access on your computer and it's full of activities you can do.

We have the fashion show coming up on April 3rd at 6 PM. I know there are several young people out there who would be perfect for this event, believe me you don't want to miss out on this opportunity. The workshop for the fashion show will be held on March 22nd at 6 PM. This event will be here before we know it. If you are planning to be a part of this, or any event or activity, and you don't have a computer to access 4-H Connect, Please call us at the Marion County Extension Office and we will be glad to help out.

Some of the other events and activities on the calendar for spring are; The Shooting Sports Competition, March 22nd, County Roundup April 12th, Along with several district events that might be of interest to you. And this year will be the 1st Annual Four States 4-H Timed Event Championships (See Attachment) Please make sure to go online to 4-H Connect and find the events that are of interest to you and register. Remember if you are not registered on 4-H Connect, you are not registered.

Sincerely,

Brock Fry

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Agriculture and Natural Resources • Family and Consumer Sciences • 4-H and Youth Development • Community Development

Other Announcements:

March 3rd Jefferson Bass Assassin's 4-H Fundraiser Open Bass Tournament

March 24th 9 AM to 2 PM Coggins testing \$ 20.00 Plus Low Cost Shots Offered

April 27th 1st Annual Four-States 4-H Timed Event Championships

COUNTY- DISTRICT - STATE 4-H ROUND-UP

County Round-Up will be held at Kellyville Community Center on April 12th at 6 PM Let your agents know what category you wish to enter.

District Round-Up registration due date is April 14th Event /Activities: Educational Presentations, Share-the-Fun, Leaders 4 Life, Horse Quiz Bowl, Beef Quiz Bowl, and Entomology Contest. Event date is April 28th at SFA

State Round-Up will be held in Lubbock, Texas on June 11-15

RECORDBOOK KEEPING:

Remember, record book keeping is a major part of the 4-H learning experience. Maintaining and turning in a record book is critical when applying for 4-H awards. If you don't feel you know exactly how to keep these records, please attend the workshop May 31st at 5:30

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS:

We are seeking volunteers and parents to work with 4-H youth in a variety of projects related to Outdoor Education, Foods and Nutrition, Consumer Decision Making, Shooting Sports, Fashions. We encourage parents and volunteers to help with the youth to help them grow in such a positive direction as 4-H offers.

LOOKING FORWARD TO A NEW AND EXCITING YEAR IN 4-H, INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO JOIN IN ALL THE FUN!

CONSUMER DECISION MAKING

On January 28, 2012, Marion County 4-H member Jessica Moore attended District 5 Consumer Decision Making Contest in Nacogdoches, TX. She did an excellent job of representing us. Jessica won the event in the intermediate division competing against 15 youth. This competition consisted of Jessica placing 8 classes correctly and giving oral reasons on two of the classes. Oral reasons are telling judges why she placed a class as she did. Congratulations to Jessica Moore.



JEFFERSON BASS ASSASSIN'S 4-H CLUB

The Jefferson Bass Assassin's 4-H Club held their second qualifying tournament for the Texas High School Bass Championship. The Championship will be held on April 28th at Lake Ray Hubbard near Dallas. Bass Pro Shop's on Ray Hubbard is hosting the event. During the January 20th tournament: Ryan Gibbons 5.17, Jacob Kendrick 4.58, Jaylon Stanley 3.71, Jacob Laster 3.44, and Kennyth Vaughan 1.30. Qualifying so far: Jacob Kendrick 11.98, Ryan Gibbons 7.54, Jaylon Stanley 5.58, Jacob Laster 4.76, Seth McGregor 3.17, Kennyth Vaughan 1.30, Dillion Williams 0, Cory Walker 0. There is still one more qualifying tournament and will decide the teams to represent Jefferson High School at this years Championship. The JBA club recently visited many businesses in Marion County to gain sponsorships for the trip to Dallas. We want to thank those that support youth fishing in Marion County. It is not too late to help them out with sponsorships or get your business logo on their tournament shirts. Jefferson Bass Assassin's planned an open bass tournament fundraiser on the Lake O' the Pines for March 3, 2012 for more information or registration forms contact the Marion County Extension office at 903-665-2421 or bafry@ag.tamu.edu.



Not Pictured : Seth McGregor, Dillon Williams, and Cory Walker.

Low Cost Shots And Coggins Testing

Jefferson Livestock Association Arena 3 miles east of Jefferson HWY 49





Coggins Testing \$20.00 Shots vary but low cost

March 24, 2012 Time: 9:00 to 2:00 P.M.

Shots to be offered Rhinovirus EWT West Nile Virus Rabies

Please R.S.V.P. to 903-665-2421 Or email <u>bafry@ag.tamu.edu</u>

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