



# Calcasieu 4-H

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**4-H Summer Camp Pre-Registration Camp: June 1 - June 5, 2009**  
**Make check for \$50 deposit payable to Calcasieu 4-H. Mail to Calcasieu 4-H, 7101 Gulf Hwy., Lake Charles, LA 70607**  
**Due April 2, 2009**

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

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

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School: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Public Speaking Pre-registration Form**

**Return by February 21 to Calcasieu 4-H, 7101 Gulf Hwy., Lake Charles, LA 70607**

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

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_

General \_\_\_\_\_

Co-op \_\_\_\_\_

Soybean \_\_\_\_\_

## Clovers to...

### Consumer Decision Making

**Junior**-1st: Kristen Smith; 2nd: Savannah Goodner; 3rd: Garrett Terry; HM: Sydney Stevens, Evan Winstead, Kourtney LeBlanc  
**Senior**-1st: Sarah Stagg; 2nd: Chet Veillon; 3rd: Celia Jones; HM: Kaitlyn LeBlanc, Anna Espey, Anne Veillon

### Photography

#### Animals

**Junior**-1st: Mallory Nicholson; 2nd: Justin Granger; 3rd: Hannah Pettefer; HM: Kourtney LeBlanc, Savannah Goodner, Jamie Gilmore  
**Senior**-1st: Morgan Smith; 2nd: Keaghan Kane; 3rd: Kaitlyn LeBlanc; HM: Seth Duhon, Taylor Istre, Anne Veillon

#### Outdoor Shots

**Junior**-1st: Jacie Istre; 2nd: Kalyn Duhon; 3rd: Katelyn Chargois; HM: Taylor Thibodeaux, Hannah Pettefer, Sarah Bonvillain  
**Senior**-1st: Anne Veillon; 2nd: Morgan Smith; 3rd: John Paul LeBleu; HM: Ragen Ross, Keaghan Kane, James Berry

#### People

**Junior**-1st: Justin Granger; 2nd: Savannah Goodner; 3rd: Kristen Smith; HM: Carleigh Chaumont, Tabitha Broussard, Jacie Istre  
**Senior**-1st: Morgan Smith; 2nd: Gracie Matz; 3rd: Anne Veillon; HM: Kaitlyn LeBlanc, Cameron Durham, Seth Duhon

#### Ready-to-Wear

**Junior**-1st: Layne Armentor; 2nd: Lacey Levine; 3rd: Kane Vest; HM: Jacie Istre, Catherine Monk, Corey Castillo  
**Senior**-1st: Celia Jones; 2nd: Chet Veillon; 3rd: Brittany Granger; HM: Keaghan Kane, Garrett Davis, Jon Thomas Chargois

#### Clothing

**Junior Skirt & Blouse**-1st: Adele Doucet

**Junior School Dress**-1st: Lacey Levine; 2nd: Savannah Goodner; 3rd: Hannah Rogers; HM: Elisabeth Perez

**Junior Sportswear**-1st: Kari Davis

**Senior School or Casual Dress**-1st: Jessie LeJeune

#### Turkey Ambassador-

4th-6th: 1st: Mallory Nicholson

#### Seafood Cookery

##### Shrimp

**Junior**-1st: Lane Armentor (Sweepstakes); 2nd: Tanner Buller; 3rd: Justin Miller; HM: Skylar Gilmore, Gabbie Carrier, Stefani Bourque  
**Senior**-1st: Seth Duhon; 2nd: Jaden Sterling; 3rd: Sarah Stagg; HM: Anna Espey, Jacey Main, Jennifer Doland

##### Crab

**Junior**-1st: Jacie Istre; 2nd: Justin Granger; 3rd: Kane Vest; HM: Madelyn Nichols

**Senior**-1st: Hannah Vincent; 2nd: Anna Espey

##### Crawfish

**Junior**-1st: Adele Doucet; 2nd: Sydney Stevens ; 3rd: Shane Danos

**Senior**-1st: Josh Denison (Sweepstakes); 2nd: Seth Duhon

##### Fish & Other

**Junior**-1st: Corey Castillo; 2nd: Julia Hebert; 3rd: Alison Peloquin; HM: Logan Granger

**Senior**-1st: Trevor Foreman; 2nd: Kristen Davis

#### Sugar Cookery

##### Baked Items

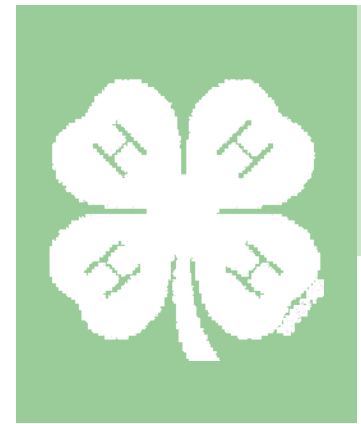
**Junior**-1st: Sydney Stevens; 2nd: Jacie Istre; 3rd: Mallory Nicholson; HM: Skylar Gilmore, Jake Miller, Justin Granger

**Senior**-1st: Garret Davis; 2nd: Jennifer Doland; 3rd: Seth Duhon; HM: Jacey Main, Kaitlyn LeBlanc, James Berry

##### Other Desserts

**Junior**-1st: Julia Hebert; 2nd: Shane Danos; 3rd: Jacie Istre; HM: Kane Vest, Kalyn Duhon, Logan Granger

**Senior**-1st: Anna Espey; 2nd: Seth Duhon; 3rd: Kristen Davis; HM: Anne Veillon, Brittany Granger, Matthew Berry



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- Summer camp deposits for 6th grade members are due April 2.
- Scholarship applications are due March 13.

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# Cloverleaf

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## 4-H Portfolios Are Due March 23rd

There is still plenty of time to get your 4-H projects and portfolios completed. The first thing you need to do to get started is to read your project books to determine how many activities you need to complete and then complete that number of activities in the book. After your project book activities are completed, you'll need to



complete your 4-H Portfolio to turn in with your projects. This portfolio replaces the old Members Record form. This year the portfolio is available online at <http://louisiana4h.org>. You can complete the portfolio online and save it to your computer. This should make completing your book easier than ever!

Remember you need 3 things to complete your portfolio:

1. Completed Project Book
2. Completed 4-H Portfolio for all records.
3. Some type of cover to hold it all together.

## Camp Grant Walker – “It’ll Grow On You!”

If you want to make new friends and have a lot of fun, and you are in the 6th grade, you should plan to join us at 4-H Summer Camp. This year we will be camping June 1 - June 5. Our camp is held at Camp Grant Walker in Pollock, LA. Cost of summer camp is \$120 per camper. **To reserve your spot you must send in a non-refundable deposit of \$50 no later than April 2nd.** The check should be made out to Calcasieu Parish 4-H. Once the deadline passes any unfilled spots will be released to other parishes. If you are interested in going to camp please fill out the form on this cloverleaf and turn it in to the 4-H Office along with your \$50 check no later than April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Camp counselors and adult chaperones will also be needed for camp. To be a counselor, you must complete a camp counselor training. Camp counselor applications are available at the 4-H office. To go as an adult chaperone, you must complete Overnight Chaperone training and agree to a background check. Anyone interested in being a camp counselor or adult chaperone should contact the 4-H office.



## Junior Wildlife Tour To Be Held in August

Twelve 4-H members in grades 4-8 from across the state will be selected to participate in a Wildlife Tour August 5 - 7, 2009. Selection is based on 4-H records of wildlife activities in Learning More About You and the Environment, Creepy Crawlers, Follow the Path, Hiking Trails, Shooting Sports,

Camping Adventures, What's Bugging You?, Wildlife Conservation, Reach for the Canopy, You and the Environment, and Aquaculture. Calcasieu Parish can submit 2 entries for state judging. If you are interested in this activity, contact the 4-H Office for more information. Records are due in the 4-H Office March 6, 2009.

## Have You Qualified for 4-H University?

4-H University is our state 4-H event for 4-H members ages 13 and over. Several thousand 4-H members from across Louisiana gather the third week of June each summer on the LSU campus in Baton Rouge to participate in 4-H University and 4-H Clover College.

4-H University is what we call our state contests. There are over 50 areas 4-H members compete in. These areas include contests such as Agriculture Demonstration, Computer Simulation, Public Speaking, Fashion Revue, Livestock Judging, Sports Broadcasting and Consumer Decision Making, just to name a few. There's a contest at 4-H U for just about any interest.

Clover College is held at the same time and place as 4-H U but is made up of workshops for participants to take part in. There are typically 6 to 8 workshops to choose from that cover topics such as dramatic arts, character education, and service learning.

We hope you'll consider participating in this year's 4-H U. In addition to all you'll learn, you'll also make new friends, have lots of fun and get to experience life on the LSU campus. To participate in either 4-H U or Clover College, members must first qualify by competing in a parish contest or by turning in their 4-H Portfolio. If you'd like to know more about 4-H University or Clover College, give one of the 4-H agents a call at 475-8812.

## Spring is a Busy Time for Senior Members

High school seniors need to get started on their applications for 4-



**H scholarships.** Calcasieu Parish 4-H will be awarding four scholarships to graduating seniors. They include one \$1,425, two \$500, and one \$100 scholarship. Also, the Louisiana 4-H Foundation will be awarding over \$9,500.00 in scholarships to entering college freshmen who have been active in the 4-H program. By completing one application, seniors can apply for all of these scholarships. Scholarship information and applications are available at the 4-H office and must be completed by March 13, 2009.

Two Louisiana 4-H members will be selected to attend the **Rural Electric Youth Tour** in Washington, D.C., June 16-20, 2009. 4-H Club members 16 years old and older who are interested must complete an application form and a typewritten letter to voice your opinion (positive or negative) to your elected officials on any issues, problems, situations or successes. These letters are not actually mailed. Applications are due in the 4-H office by March 6, 2009. To receive an application, please come by or call the 4-H office.

**National 4-H Conference** provides 11th grade members the opportunity to

participate in 4-H program development at the state and national levels, meet with government officials and national sponsors and exchange ideas with 4-H'ers from across the U.S.

Delegates must be willing to serve on the State 4-H Executive Committee for one year. Calcasieu 4-H can nominate two girls and two boys to participate in National 4-H Conference in Washington, DC. Nominations are open to 4-H members **currently in the 10th grade.** Nomination applications are available at the 4-H office and must be completed by March 6, 2009.

**Youth Co-op Leadership Conference** will be held Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> through Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at Grant Walker Educational Center located in Pollock, Louisiana. Youth in the 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are eligible to attend. The conference centers around interactive and educational programs will allow the delegates to explore the world of cooperatives and how this form of business compliments and benefits the citizens of Louisiana. Ten delegates will be selected for top awards. The top three (3) delegates will receive an Educational Trip later in the summer. Applications are due March 6,



## Mark Your Calendar....

### February

- 1-7 SW District Livestock Show
- 9 Challenge Camp fees due
- 12 Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00p.m.
- 14-15 Food & Fitness Camp
- 14-21 LSU State Livestock Show
- 21 Pre-registration for Public Speaking
- 22 Rural Electric Youth Tour application due
- 26-28 Southern Livestock, Poultry & Market Goat Show
- 28 Contest Day at Gayle Hall, 8:30a.m. See p.3 for contest information

### March

- 6 Applications due for National 4-H Conference, Jr. Wildlife Tour, Youth Co-op Leadership Conference
- 6-8 Area 4-H Challenge Camp
- 12 Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 13 4-H Scholarship applications due
- 13-15 Junior Leadership Conference
- 23 **Record books due in 4-H office by 4:30 p.m.**
- 28-29 SW LA Garden Festival - Burton Coliseum
- TBA Area Commodity Cookery Contests in Crowley, LA

### April

- 1-7 Leap tests
- 2 Outstanding Individual & Club Forms due
- 3 4-H Camp deposits due
- 3-5 Youth Co-Op Conference
- 9 Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 p.m., 4-H Office
- 20 4-H Awards Night
- 21 State Cookery Contests
- 23 4-H U Selection Meeting, 7:00 p.m., 4-H Office
- 27 Leader Crawfish Boil Burton Coliseum

## February 28 Contest Day-Something for Everyone

Our March contest day will be held at Gayle Hall on the McNeese Campus beginning at 8:30 a.m. Awards will be presented at 12:00 noon. **Note: You must pre-register for the Public Speaking Contest by February 21.**

**Complete contest rules may be found on our website at [lsuagcenter.com](http://lsuagcenter.com)**

### Public Speaking - General

1. Speeches may be on any topic, but must be original.
2. Time limit will be 3 - 5 minutes for 6th - 8th grade members and 5-7 minutes for high school members.
3. Visual aids or props are optional.

### Public Speaking - Cooperatives

1. Speeches must be original and must be on and in favor of cooperative business.
2. Time limit will be 3-5 minutes for middle school members and 5-7 minutes for high school members.
3. Visual aids or props are optional.

### Public Speaking - Soybean Production

1. A 5-8 minute illustrated talk will be given on some facet of soybean production, marketing, processing, utilization, nutritional value, etc.
2. The use of visual aids is encouraged.

### Public Speaking - Horse

1. Subject must pertain to the horse industry.
2. Ten minutes will be allowed for each speaker.
3. Contestants may use notes. **Visual aids are not allowed.**

### Personal Development

1. Boys and girls will compete separately.
2. Contestants have a short interview with a judge, who will ask questions such as: What career do you plan to follow? What kind of skills or training is needed for this job? Why do you think you would be good at this job? General appearance, cleanliness, manners, and poise are also considered in judging.

### Food Exhibit And Interview

1. Contestants prepare a "Food For Fitness" dish which is relatively low in calories. The food dish must be a main dish, vegetable dish, fruit dish, salad or snack meal. Contestants prepare the dish at home and bring it to the contest ready to sample for judging. **The dish must be chilled on ice and brought in an ice chest to the contest.**
2. Each contestant will have a short interview with the judge, who will ask questions such as: What are the food groups? How many servings do you need of each? What's the major nutrient in that food group?

### Dog Care

1. Written test will include identification of dog breeds by pictures, proper care and nutrition of dogs and puppies, and diseases of dogs
2. Know these breeds: airedale terrier, basset hound, beagle, Boston terrier, boxer, bull terrier, bulldog, cairn terrier, chihuahua, cocker spaniel, collie, dachshund, dalmation, English setter, fox terrier, golden retriever, greyhound,

- Irish setter, labrador retriever, pomeranian, rottweiler, sty. Bernard, samoyed, Scottish terrier, whippet
3. Sources are the Pet Care, and Dog Care project books.

### Horticulture I.D.

1. Judging will consist of 4 classes composed of vegetables, fruits, flowers, ornamental seeds and plants to be judged on the basis of quality and condition. Each class will be placed from first to fourth place. Cut flowers, potted plants, potted ornamentals, balled & burlapped nursery stock may be used. This entire part will be based on those characteristics that a consumer looks for in buying horticulture products. Written reasons will be given on one class of judging. These will be used to break a tie.
2. Identification - Twenty specimens of vegetables, fruits & nuts, flowers, ornamentals, seeds & field crops, insects and diseases and weeds. Plant parts, characteristics of the plant, may be used to represent specimen to be identified

### Plant I. D.

1. 4-H will be asked to identify 25 seeds, weeds, or field crops from a list of commonly grown plants in Louisiana. (CD is available at 4-H Office to study)
2. Test questions may be used for tie breakers.

### Insect I.D.

1. 4-H members will be required to identify the common name and order for a minimum of 15 insects of economic importance to Calcasieu Parish and denote whether the insect is a pest or beneficial. Good guides for study are Golden Nature Guide of Insects and Guide to Insect Pests.

### Wildlife Judging

1. 4-Hers will identify needs of wildlife in a particular kind of habitat and make recommendations on wildlife management practices to improve the habitat for certain wildlife species.
2. Must be able to identify common wildlife foods and rank them as to their importance for certain wildlife species.
3. 4-Hers may be required to identify wildlife from photos.
4. 4-Hers may be required to identify the different habitats that wildlife live in from aerial photos and rank them as to their importance for wildlife.

### Consumer Foods Judging

1. Contestants will be required to select the best buy from four like items and rank each item in order of preference. There will be four categories. Examples of possible categories include quality of fresh produce, cost of convenience foods, nutritive value of school lunches, unit pricing, cost and nutrition of different food forms, nutrition of a day's menu, nutrition of vending machine choices or fast foods.
2. Contestants will give written reasons for placings for 1 or 2 categories.