



Calcasieu 4-H

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4-H Summer Camp Pre-Registration Camp
June 1—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: _____

School: _____

Phone: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____

Parent's Signature: _____



A big thanks to everyone who worked to make Ag Adventure a huge success. We were all very proud when teachers and parents commented on and emailed about our 4-H members working at Ag Adventure - about how confident and well spoken you are. That's what 4-H does!

Market Lamb
Suffolk: Champion & Champion La Bred - Chet Veillon
Natural Color: Champion - Chet Veillon
AOB Black Face & Crosses: Champion & Champion La Bred - Chet Veillon
AOB White Face & Crosses: Champion - David Guidry
Overall: Reserve Champion & Reserve Champion La Bred - Chet Veillon

Sheep Showmanship
 Overall Jr. Champion: Laikyn Potts

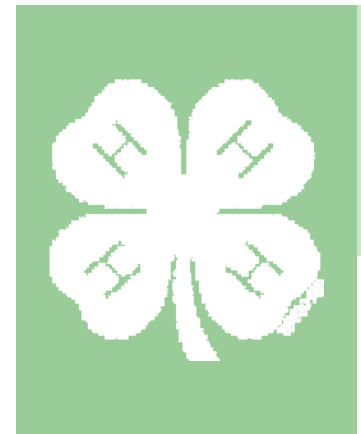
Market Goat
 Division I: Champion - Jacey Miller; Champion La Bred - Tori Vincent
 Division II: Reserve Champion - Jake Miller.
 Division III: Reserve Champion - Tori Vincent

Breeding Swine
Yorkshire: Reserve Champion & Champion La Bred: David Kershaw
Market Swine
Hampshire: Reserve Champion: Jamie Gilmore; Champion La Bred: Dean Morehead
Yorkshire: Champion La Bred: Shelby Landry; Reserve Champion La Bred: Clair Guidry
Duroc: Champion: Skylar Gilmore; Reserve Champion & Champion La Bred: David Kershaw; Reserve Champion La Bred: Alexa Miller
Cross: Champion & La Bred: Molly Milner; Reserve Champion La Bred: Logan Hayes
Barrow: Reserve Champion: William Hassien
Grand Champion: William Hassien
Grand Champion La Bred: Molly Milner

Swine Showmanship
Overall Intermediate Champion: Logan Hayes
Overall Intermediate Reserve Champion: Austin Theriot

Scholarship Winners
Participation Scholarship Winners - Klancy Shope, Sara Douga, Carrie Jones
Senior John E Jackson Beef Showman - Claire Galley
Junior John E Jackson Beef Showman - Justin Granger
Junior John E Jackson Sheep Showman - Laikyn Potts
Intermediate John E. Jackson Swine Showman - Logan Hayes
Mark Hayes Memorial Reserve Champion Intermediate Swine Showman - Austin Theriot
E.W. Hayes Memorial Reserve Champion Jr. Beef Showman - Logan Granger

LSU Livestock Show Winners, cont.
 Champion AOB Market Steer – Claire Galley
 Champion LA-bred AOBreed Market Steer – Klancy Shope
 Champion Braford Heifer – Evan Harrington
 Reserve Champion LA-bred Braford Heifer – Kayla Fontenet
 Reserve Champion and Reserve Champion LA-bred Braford Base Bull – Shelby Miller
 Reserve Champion LA-bred Brangus Bull – Kathryn Murphy
 Champion and Champion LA-bred Limousin Bull – Quince Landry
 Reserve Champion Red Brangus Bull – Austin Wright
 Champion Red Brangus Heifer – Joel Rogers
 Reserve Champion Red Brangus Heifer – Lauren Fontenet
 Reserve Champion Simbrah Bull – Blake Schultz
 Champion LA-bred AOB, Non-Brahman Influence, Heifer – Justin Granger
 Reserve Champion LA-bred AOB, Non-Brahman Influence, Heifer – Logan Granger
 Champion Commercial Heifer, Non Brahman – Joseph Denison



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- Special points of interest:**
- **Camp deposits must be paid by April 2**
 - **Portfolios are due March 23**
 - **Possession date for horses is April 1**
 - **Scholarship applications are due March 13**

Cloverleaf

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Junior-Senior Edition

March 2009

Last Chance to Qualify for 4-H U is 4-H Portfolios, due March 23rd

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.

Let's make the Calcasieu delegation to 4-H U the biggest and best it can be. The dates of 4-H U are June 23 - 26, 2009. That's great news because for the first time in several years, 4-H U does not conflict with the High School Rodeo Finals!

There is still plenty of time for you to qualify to participate in 4-H U by completing your 4-H Portfolio. 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. 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

Portfolios of good quality may also be submitted for state competition in July. In 2008, several Calcasieu 4-H members won awards trips to National Club Congress in Atlanta based on their portfolio completion. You can win those awards trips too!

For more information on completing your 4-H Portfolio, contact the 4-H office.



Camp Grant Walker – "It'll Grow On You!"

Want to make new friends and have a lot of fun this summer? If you're 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 2nd.

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.



Spring is a Busy Time for Senior Members

If you are a high school senior and haven't completed your application for **4-H scholarships**, you need to get busy. 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.



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 3rd through Sunday, April 5th at Grant Walker Educational Center located in Pollock, Louisiana. Youth in the 8th-12th 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.

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.



Junior Leaders Plan Spring Activities

Spring is typically a busy time for our Junior Leader Club, and this year is no exception. The last two meetings of the year will be held on March 12 and April 9 at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H office. At the April meeting we will be electing officers for the 2009 - 2010 program year.

In addition to these meetings, the Junior Leadership Club has lots of projects going on through the end of the school year....

The club's service-learning project for the year is "4-H Rocks... the House and the Senate". As a culmination of the project, we are planning a trip to Washington D.C. during Spring Break. There are a few more seats available on the bus, so if you're interested, please call the 4-H office as soon as possible to get the information.

The annual strawberry sale fund raiser is coming up. We need members to get their

strawberry tickets and get started selling.

Junior Leaders will be working with the Garden Festival March 28 and 29. We need lots of volunteers to work the gate, make crafts with children in the kids booth, help with getting lunch set up for the vendors and selling strawberries. If you can work either of these days, please sign up at the meeting on March 12 or call the 4-H office to be given a work time.



Another big project of our Junior Leadership Club this spring will be The American Cancer Society Relay for Life. We'll be having a relay team this year. Anna Espey is heading up this effort and will be having an organizing meeting at the March 12th Junior Leadership meeting.



Mark Your Calendar....

March

- 6 Applications due for National 4-H Conference, Jr. Wildlife Tour, Youth Co-Op Leadership Conference
- 6-8 Area 4 Challenge Camp
- 12 Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00 p.m., 4-H Office
- 13 Applications due for 4-H Scholarships
- 23 **Portfolios Due in 4-H Office**
- 28-29 SW LA Garden Festival Burton Coliseum
- 25 Area Commodity Cookery Contests in Jennings, LA

April

- 1-7 Leap Tests
- 2 Outstanding Individual 4-Hers & 4-H Club forms due
- 2 4-H Camp deposits due
- 3-5 Youth Co-Op Conference
- 9 Jr. Leader Meeting, 7:00p.m., 4-H Office
- 15-16 SW LA Horse Camp
- 20 4-H Awards Night
- 21 State Ambassador Contests, Baton Rouge
- 23 4-H U Selection Meeting, 7:00 p.m., 4-H Office
- 27 Leader Crawfish Boil, Burton Coliseum

May

- 4 Leader Reports & Financial Summaries due
- 4 Club CRD Books due
- TBA Shooting Sports State Competition, Covington
- 11 4-H Advisory Committee

June

- 3 4-H Day at the Capitol
- 5 Short Course Records, Clothing Garments due
- 13 Calcasieu Parish Horse Show, West-Cal Arena
- 16 Rural Electric Youth Tour
- 23-26 4-H University, LSU

Horse Shows Scheduled for June and July

It's time to start thinking about the 4-H horse shows coming up this summer. Four-H'ers must have their show horse in their possession (on your place and in your care) by April 1, 2009. If you plan to participate in 4-H horse shows, please fill out the form at the end of this cloverleaf and return to the 4-H office by March 16, 2009.

The horse you show must be registered in your (the 4-Her's) name or in the name of an immediate family member (father, mother, sister, brother or grandparents). If the horse is

registered in the name of an immediate family member we will need a letter stating that the horse was given to the 4-H'er to use in the 4-H show. A copy of the letter needs to be in the 4-H office by April 1, 2009.

If you plan to show a horse that is not registered, you must call our office so that we can write grade papers on your animal. This will enable you to show it in 4-H shows. This must also be done by April 1, 2009.



It's Not Too Late to Join the Green TEENS Environmental Club

The Calcasieu 4-H Green TEENS Environmental Club is made up of 4-H members from across the parish who are interested in preserving and protecting our environment. If that sounds like something that interests you, it's not too late to join the group. The next Green TEEN meeting will be Monday, March 16, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the 4-H Office. We will be planning for our upcoming Spring activities.

In March, the club plans to have two educational booths at the SWLA Garden Festival. One booth will show how to make a rain barrel to collect rain water to use in the

landscape. The booth will also have information on the advantages of using rain water for this purpose. The second booth will be on storm drains. One of our club's projects has been to mark storm drains in Lake Charles and to educate the public about how to prevent pollution of our lakes and waterways by being careful that pollutants don't enter them through storm drains.

If you're interested in preserving our environment, plan to join the Green TEENS. For more information, call the 4-H office.



Clovers to...

LSU Livestock Show Winners

Claire Galley, who exhibited the champion market steer, was awarded the Price LeBlanc Champion Livestock Award.

Champion and Champion Louisiana-bred Hog – Conner Galley
Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Hog – Rikki Gilmore
Reserve Champion Duroc – Slylar Gilmore
Champion Louisiana-bred Duroc – John LeBleu
Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Duroc – David Kershaw
Reserve Champion and Champion Louisiana-bred Hampshire – Fallynn Gary
Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Hampshire – Madison Lachney
Reserve Champion Any Other Breed – Rikki Gilmore, Calcasieu 4-H

Champion and Champion Louisiana-bred Barrow – Conner Galley
Reserve Champion and Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Barrow – Rikki Gilmore
Champion Louisiana-bred Cross – Tiffany Lowery
Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Cross – Austin Theriot
Champion Southdown Ewe – Jesse LeJeune,
Reserve Champion Southdown Ewe – Jesse LeJeune
Reserve Champion Commercial Ewe – Jacob Guidry
Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Commercial Ewe – David Guidry
Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Overall Market Steer – Klancy Shope
Champion British Market Steer – Conner Galley

Clovers to...

Southwest District Livestock Show Winners

Market Steers
AOB: Reserve Champion - Conner Galley
British: Champion - Baylee Bourque; Reserve Champion - Savannah Fruge; Champion La Bred - Klancy Shope
Overall: Grand Champion - Baylee Bourque; Reserve Grand Champion - Savannah Fruge; Grand Champion La Bred - Klancy Shope
Beef Breeding
Limousin Bull: Grand Champion & Grand Champion La Bred - Quince Landry; Reserve Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion La Bred - Quince Landry
Limousin Heifer: Reserve Champion & Grand Champion La Bred: Quince Landry, Iowa
Charolais Bull: Grand Champion - Morgan Talbot
Charolais Heifer: Grand Champion & Grand Champion La Bred - Morgan Talbot
Simbrah Bull: Grand Champion - Blake Schultz; Reserve Champion La Bred: Justin Verrett
Red Brangus Bull: Grand Champion - Austen Wright
Red Brangus Heifer: Reserve Champion: Austen Wright
AOB-Non Brahman Inf Heifer: Grand Champion & Champion LA Bred - Justin Granger; Reserve Grand Champion & Reserve LA Bred: David Waller, Calcasieu
Beef Showmanship
Overall Sr. Div. Champion - Claire Galley; Overall Jr. Div. Champion - Justin Granger; Overall Jr. Div. Reserve Champion - Logan Granger
Sheep Breeding
Southdown Ewe: Champion & Reserve Champion - Jessie LeJeune
Commercial Ewe: Reserve Champion: & Champion La Bred - David Guidry