



Lafayette 4-H Hotline

SUMMER SAFETY

Summer is approaching fast and now is the time to reflect on all of the great safety information that we have learned this year. As school comes to an end, we would like to leave you with a few very important safety tips.

When out on the water, don't forget to:

ALWAYS WEAR A LIFE JACKET!

Have a PFD for every person aboard.

Don't stand in boat, overload boat, or sit where passengers are not designated to sit.

When cooking outdoors, don't forget these tips:

Never leave a fire unattended.

Never build a fire or light a burner near flammable items such as a tent.

Build fire only as big as you need, and surround it with rocks.

Keep gas canisters upright.

When a severe storm comes, remember to:

Turn around, don't drown in flood waters.

Stay informed by watching the news and weather reports.

Do not stand near tall objects such as trees or poles during a lightning storm.

A car cannot out run a tornado, so if in a car, seek shelter in nearby sturdy building if possible.

When riding your bike or skateboard, always remember to:

WEAR A HELMET!

Know hand signals.

Ride on the **RIGHT** hand of the street.

Never ride **AGAINST** traffic.

Ride single file on the street if there is no side walk to ride on.

Wear brightly colored clothing and install reflectors on tires.

When outside, don't forget to protect your SKIN! Follow these tips:

WEAR SUNSCREEN!

SPF means **SUN PROTECTION FACTOR.**

UVA rays are the most dangerous type of rays.

Avoid insects at dawn and dusk.

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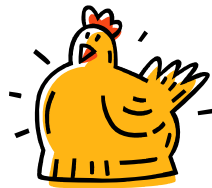
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END OF THE YEAR LIVESTOCK NEWS



As of now, we have not been informed of 2009 livestock validation dates or locations. If you are planning to show livestock for the 2009 livestock show season, please be sure to call our office if you are a new exhibitor. We will need to add you to our mailing list. If you are a previous exhibitor, more details will be mailed out to you over the summer. Please, help us spread the word to all current exhibitors and any potential new families.

Horse Happenings

Four-H'ers planning to show horses this year should already have turned in their entries to Mr. Charles by **April 15th**. All horses must be pre-entered to show at this summer's LSU AgCenter Horse Shows.

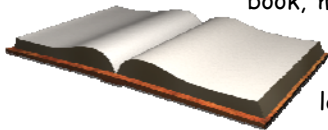


By now, you should already be aware of the dates of our Parish, District, and State Horse Shows. The Parish Show will be held **June 14th at the Sugarena in New Iberia, LA.**

Parish Record Books

Completing a 4-H record book is an essential part of being a 4-H member. It is the main part of a 4-H member's accomplishments. By completing a record book, a 4-H member has the opportunity to "move to the next level" and participate in state or national activities.

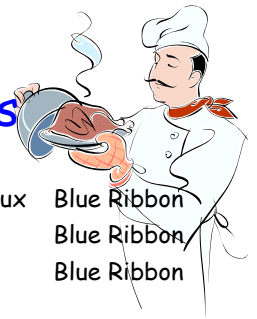
If you did not receive a gold ribbon for your record book, make that your main goal as a 4-H member next year. If you received a gold ribbon, keep it up and don't lose your focus.



Club of the Month

To view a list of the winning clubs, go to: http://www.lsuagcenter.com/en/our_offices/parishes/Lafayette/Features/4-H/Contest_Results/ and click on Club of the Month Results.

Area Cookery Results



Beef Commodity Cookery

Low Calorie Division	Alexa Thibodeaux	Blue Ribbon
One-Dish Division	Dene Leger	Blue Ribbon
Quick and Easy Division	Benson Hughes	Blue Ribbon

Seafood Commodity Cookery

Oyster Division	Griffin Hebert	1st Place
Crab Division	Hailey Seymour	Blue Ribbon
Fish and Other Division	Kelli Saloom	Blue Ribbon
Crawfish Division	Myiah Russo	Red Ribbon

Rice Commodity Cookery

Main Dish Division	Nick Saloom	Red Ribbon
Side Dish Division	Allison Marcel	Blue Ribbon
Dessert Division	Hannah Fabacher	Blue Ribbon

Sugar Commodity Cookery

Baked Division	Tatiana Butts	Blue Ribbon
Non-Baked Division	Lindsay Alleman	Blue Ribbon

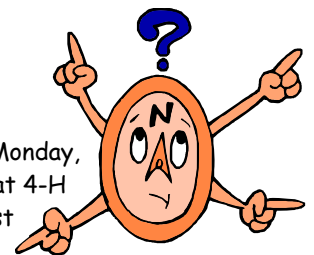
4-H Garden Contest

Those 4-H members who are participating in the 4-H Garden Contest should be doing the necessary preparations for producing an outstanding garden. Remember to have the garden at its peak at the beginning of June when judging of the gardens takes place. Remember to **RECORD ANY PRODUCTION PRIOR TO JUDGING!** Refer to the rules that you should have received in the mail. Good luck to all participating!



LOST Camp

Louisiana Outdoor Science and Technology Camp is scheduled for Monday, August 3 - Friday, August 7, 2009 at 4-H Camp Grant Walker. This is the first time the Summer Camp Experience is being offered to 7th and 8th graders. For 4-H'ers who loved going to camp, this is a chance for you to once again experience 4-H Summer Camp. The tracks will be Rock-etry, Wetlands, Energy, Outdoor Skills, GPS/GIS and Forensic Science. Participants will be able to choose three of these tracks to participate in while at camp.



4-H Honors Program

On May 7th, over 100 outstanding 4-H'ers will be recognized for their hard work this year. We are happy to list some of the award winners from that program.

2009 BRACKIN-BOWLES OUTSTANDING RECORD

BOOK WINNERS: **4TH GRADE WINNERS:** Zoe Knijn, Broadmoor; Madison Adams, LCA; Alexis Olivier, Prairie; Casey Knijn, Broadmoor; Kevin Hilbun, Live Oak; Lexi Hulin, GT Lindon; Sharon Suffern, St. Pius; Benson Hughes, ACH; Lauren Sims, ACH; Griffin Hebert, Cathedral-Carmel; Olivia Guidry, Ridge

HONORABLE MENTION: Andrea Vera, Ossun; Emily Barron, Woodvale

5-6th GRADE WINNERS: Nathan Hoffpauir, Member-At-Large; Andrew Lanie, St. Pius; Tatiana Butts, St. Genevieve; Dene' Leger, Live Oak; Arden LaGrone, LJ Alleman; Abigail Lewis, St. Pius; Mollie Hughes, ACH; Alexa Thibodeaux, St. Pius

HONORABLE MENTION: Max Perret, Fatima; Elizabeth Mallicoat, ACH; Holden David, ACH; Bryce Tynes, LJ Alleman; Elizabeth Heintz, St. Genevieve

7-8th GRADE WINNERS: Rebekah Fabacher, ACH; Seth Breaux, Fatima; Shannon Fleming, Fatima; Nina Hoffpauir, Member-At-Large; Katie Adams, St. Genevieve Middle

HONORABLE MENTION: Jessica Abshire, ACH; Kristin Grissom, ACH; Laural Blanchard, St. Genevieve Middle; Kiley Belsom, Edgar Martin; Michael Hilbun, Scott Middle; Melody Winters, Edgar Martin; Kealy Stelly, Carencro Catholic

HIGH SCHOOL: Karl Simon, Comeaux; Kasie Dugas, Teurlings; Kelli Saloom, Lafayette High; Ann Katherine Clark, Acadiana High; Chase Ables, ACH; Stephanie Falgout, ACH; Katie Domas, Member-At-Large

HONORABLE MENTION: Morgan Savoy, Northside; Emily Desormeaux, Comeaux; Hannah Fabacher, ACH



2009 State Ambassador Winners

Congratulations to all Lafayette 4-Hers who participated in the 2009 State Ambassador Contest!

Katie Domas won 1st Place in the Turkey Ambassador contest, Destiny Kennerson won 3rd Place in the Turkey Ambassador contest, and Isabelle Lewis won 3rd Place in the Egg Ambassador contest. Keep up the hard work!

4-H Camp



Four-H members selected from this area will spend one week from **July 20–24, 2009**, at 4-H Camp Grant Walker near Pollock, LA. If you are in the 4th-6th grades, you should have already filled out your camp information and sent it back to the 4-H Office. If you have any questions about 4-H Camp, please call the 4-H Office. Remember, the cost of camp is subsidized in part by the Lafayette 4-H Foundation from proceeds of your 4-H candy sales!

4-H U Selection



High School and some 13 year old 4-H'ers will spend June 23-26, in Baton Rouge at State 4-H University, competing in one of a large variety of contests to represent Lafayette Parish. We still have a few openings so if you are interested contact one of the 4-H agents at 291-7090.

Celebration

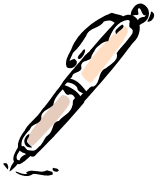
Last month, we highlighted how important of evaluating your service-learning efforts. This month we will cover the final step of service-learning and stress the importance of celebrating the member's efforts along with those served.



Adults and students alike appreciate a celebration! Service-Learning is no different. Once you have invested your time and talents over an extended period to time, you should always plan to celebrate your accomplishments. Celebrations can include students, teachers, classmates, school, elected officials, networking partners and community for their contribution to the project.

The celebration recognizes the contributions of all that have worked diligently on a project. It also provides closure to the service activity. Here are a few examples of ways to celebrate; school assemblies, special media coverage, joint celebrations with service partners, certificates, and/or parties.

A celebration is strengthened if it is related to the service that has been conducted over the term. Involve the students in developing a party theme to celebrate that is connected to the service.



Important Dates



May

- 1 Barnyard Bash, Blackham Coliseum
- 7 4-H Honor's Night, Lafayette Middle School
- 8-9 4-H Horse Camp, Sugarena, New Iberia
- 25 Horse Clinic, Blackham
- 26 Parish 4-H University Meeting, 4-H Office

June

- 3 Garden Contest Awards Reception , 4-H Office
- 3 4-H Day at the Capitol, Baton Rouge
- 10 4-H University Records/Application Due, LSU
- 14 Parish Horse Show, Sugarena, New Iberia, LA
- 23-26 State 4-H University, LSU
- TBA Horse Premier Exhibitor Contest, Horse Advisory Meeting, Coliseum

July

- 3 **Independence Day Holiday, Office Closed**
- 2-4 Acadiana District Horse Show, Blackham Coliseum
- 6-11 State Horse Show, Monroe
- 13-15 Jr. Leader Trip
- 15 "Records Only" Books Due, LSU
- 20-24 4-H Camp Grant Walker, 4-H Educational Center, Pollock, LA
- 26-31 4-H Educational Trip, San Antonio, TX
- 28 Area Leader Trainin
- 29-2 Southern Regional Horse Show, Little Rock, AK
- TBA Lafayette 4-H Foundation Board Meeting, 4-H Office

August

- 18-21 LAE4-HA Convention,
- 25 Parish Leader Training, 4-H Office
- TBA 4-H Citizenship Louisiana Focus, Baton Rouge, LA
- TBA Horse Advisory Meeting, 4-H Office
- TBA 4-H Quarterly Training, St. Gabriel, LA

LSU 4-H Football



We are currently working with the LSU Athletic Department to offer the 4-H program tickets to participate in an LSU football game this fall at a reduced price. Tickets will be available to be purchased by 4-H members, their families, volunteers, and any LSU AgCenter employee. A large tailgate party is being planned at Parker Coliseum prior to the game with food and door prizes.

The date has not been confirmed at the time of printing. We expect that a date should be confirmed by mid July or early August. Please continue checking the Lafayette 4-H webpage "Contest Rules & Forms" under the month of May for updates. We will provide the web address for tickets, price, date and information on the tail gate party. If you have any questions, please contact one of us at 291-7090.

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