

THANK YOU LETTERS

Parish market animal sale checks **WILL NOT** be mailed to the exhibitor and will only be issued to the exhibitor when a thank you letter in a stamped envelope addressed to your buyer is delivered to the 4-H Office. **Thank you letters are now being accepted and sale checks will be issued beginning in April.**

ATTENTION HORSE EXHIBITORS

If you plan on showing a horse this summer, please call the 4-H office to let Mrs. Sheena know if you plan to show your horse this year.

HORSE SHOW DATES

April 29-Bayou Area Horse Show, Napoleonville
May 6 - Acadia Parish Benefit Horse Show, Crowley
June 16- Acadia Parish Horse Show, Crowley
June -District Horse Show
July - State Horse Show, Monroe

BE A CHAMP, SHOW CAMP

If you like to travel and wish to learn more about how to clip, groom and show your livestock project, here is the opportunity for you. Be A Champ Camp is a summer camp in Warner, OK for those who show cattle and lambs. You spend four days learning how to take care of your animal and show it. Camping spots fill up quickly, so if interested, go to www.beachamp.com

STATE FAIR OF LOUISIANA

The state fair will be held October 25- Nov. 6. If you are planning on attending, please let the 4-H Office know by June 1. Entries will be available on the fair website.

HORSE CAMPS

CAMP	DATE	LOCATION	CONTACT PHONE #
NE Camp 1	April 2-4	Monroe	Eddie White 318-259-5690
NE camp 2	April 9-11	Monroe	Eddie White 318-259-5690
Central	April 10-11	Alexandria	Rodney Johnson 318-473-6605
SW Camp	April 12-13	Lake Charles	Jimmy Meaux 337-475-8812
Acadiana	May 11-12	New Iberia	Hilton Waits 337-898-4335



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Acadia Parish

"It is the policy of the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, or disability". If you require special accommodation for your participation in the 4-H Program, please contact us at (337) 788-8821."

Dates to Remember:

April

- 2 Jr. Leadership Mtg
- 2 District Commodity Cookery
- 28 End of School Dance, 5-8 p.m.

May

- 6 Benefit Horse Show
- 10 Outstanding Member Reception
- TBA Jr. Leader Meeting

June

- 16 Acadia Parish Horse Show
- 18-21 4-H University, Baton Rouge

OVERNIGHT CHAPERONE TRAINING

Attention all parents and leaders. If you plan on serving as an overnight chaperone for any school, parish, state or regional 4-H event you must take part in an overnight chaperone training in order to participate in the activity. A parish training will be taking place on April 21, 2007 at 9:00-11:00a.m at the 4-H Office. If interested in attending, please contact the 4-H Office for dates and times.

OUTSTANDING MEMBER RECEPTION

The Outstanding Member reception has been scheduled for Thursday, May 10, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office. The ceremony will include a meal and presentation of awards. The top ten percent of each club's membership is eligible. See your leader if you are interested in applying. Names of outstanding members **MUST BE** turned into the 4-H Office by **4:00 p.m. on April 23, 2007.**

4-H DAY AT THE CAPITOL

The third annual *4-H Day at the Capitol* will be held Tuesday, June 5, 2007. It will take place on the steps of the Capitol this year. Appointments should be made with legislators before attending the 4-H Day at the Capitol. These appointment times can be prior to the assembly of 10:00 a.m. or after 10:45 a.m., whatever is best for your legislator. Legislators truly enjoy this day and many have expressed their eagerness to meet 4-H members on June 7. Please feel free to bring a lunch and enjoy the Capitol grounds at noon. If you plan to attend 4-H Day at the Capitol you need to register with the 4-H office by April 7, 2007.

4-H UNIVERSITY

It is time once again to start getting ready for 4-H University. 4-H U is a statewide 4-H activity held on LSU campus. It is scheduled in June. Four-H members from throughout the state compete against each other in over 30 contests. To be eligible to compete at 4-H U, 4-H'ers must have participated in a related parish contest. First preference is given to 9th - 12th grade club members, however, several contests are open to club members that have reached their 13th birthday as of January 1, 2007. Being selected to participate in this activity is a great honor, however, it will require you to make a commitment. Depending on the contest, you may be expected to participate in area training workshops, train with one of the agents or a parish-wide leader. Preparing for 4-H U is a lot of work, but state winners in each contest are awarded great prizes such as all expense paid educational trips to different parts of the United States. So start thinking about what contest you might want to compete in. If you have any questions please contact the 4-H Office.

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END OF SCHOOL DANCE

The Junior Leadership Club will host an "End of School" dance on Saturday, April 28 from 5:00 – 8:00 in the evening. The cost is \$5.00 per person. The dance is open to all 4-H members.

4-H ADVENTURE CAMP

It's not just a camp, it's an adventure! A week at Camp Grant Walker promises fun and adventure. Campers, grades four through six, and leaders from the parish can participate in this one of a kind adventure. We are taking reservations on a first come first serve basis for Camp 10, August 6-10, 2007. Registration forms can be found online with the Camp Grant Walker information. Cost for this camp is \$110 per camper and is limited to the first 150 campers. We can reserve spots for 4-H'ers from our parish no later than May 28, 2007. Agents do not have to attend; however, a trained leader must chaperone youth attending, at least 1 leader for every 10 campers.

Campers will participate in discovery groups while at camp; lessons ranging from group dynamics to field, forest, pond explorations and a study of human impact. Group members solve challenges, play games, and discover the interconnectedness of life on earth. Additionally, campers choose from a variety of optional activities throughout the week that introduce them to outdoor pursuits and pastimes such as fishing, canoeing, archery, exploring and overnight camping trips. Thursday's activities will include an Outdoor Celebration and fun tours.

LIFE LESSON

The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson. Tom Bodett

CLOVERS TO:

- ☘ All 4-H members who participated in Challenge Camp.
- ☘ Taylor Arceneaux, Liz Coolman, Amber Venable for helping at Challenge Camp.
- ☘ Those clubs who turned in reporter scrapbooks.
- ☘ Bonnie Miller and Michelle Puissegur for helping enter record books.
- ☘ 4-H Members who turned in a Record Book.
- ☘ All 4-H members who competed in Achievement Day



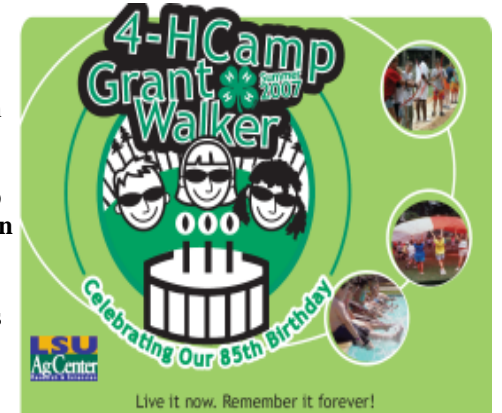
HAPPY EASTER!!!!

VOLUNTEERS FOR AG MAGIC

AgMagic, an agricultural awareness effort aimed at young children, has replaced the mini-farm. From April 23-29 AgMagic in Parker Coliseum will feature activities and exhibits in major themes of animal science, aquaculture, agronomy, forestry and wildlife. We need volunteers to run errands and serve as hosts to school groups. To volunteer to help with AgMagic, call Janet Fox at 225-578-2971.

4-H CAMP

The dates for 4-H Camp have been set! Acadia Parish will camp from July 30-August 3. 4-H Camp Grant Walker is located in Pollock, Louisiana, just outside of Alexandria. The theme this year is "Live it now. Remember it Forever". The camp is open to 4th, 5th and 6th grade boys and girls who are 4-H members. The camp lasts four days and involves many activities such as canoeing, archery, recreation, swimming, dancing and lessons in several topics. **Camp application can be found below. Deadline to submit application is April 24, 2007 with a \$50.00 deposit.** Deposit will be non-refundable after this date. Total Camp cost will be \$98 This cost includes all meals, transportation, lodging and a t-shirt. Make checks payable to Acadia Parish 4-H Foundation. *As always, we welcome adult volunteers - let us know if you are interested.*



Camper's Name _____ Boy _____ Girl _____

Address _____

P.O. Box/Street City State ZIP

Phone _____ Age _____ DOB _____ Grade _____

School _____ 4-H Club _____

Yes ___ No ___ *If my child chooses to and has the opportunity to participate in the Outdoor Adventure Track, which includes the use of bows and air rifles, he/she has my permission to participate under the supervision of certified instructors.*

Yes ___ No ___ *My child has my permission to participate in a 4-H Camp Grant Walker survey. All survey information will be confidential, and no names will be associated with the information.*

T Shirt Size S M L XL XXL (adult sizes)

How many times have you been to 4-H Camp?

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Camper's Signature _____