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4-H Update



August 2008

SUMMER ACTIVITIES & WINNERS

4-H University

West Feliciana 4-Hers enjoyed contests, elections, educational programs and recreation at the 2008 4-H University which was held at LSU in June.

Chrystal Lachney placed 3rd in the Career Preparation contest. She will also continue to serve on the 4-H Executive Committee as a 2008 National 4-H Conference delegate.

Other blue ribbon winners in competition were **Lillian Barber** in Wildlife Habitat Judging, **Jill Ferguson** in Public Speaking, and **Darcey Walsh** in Photography.

Summer Alsadi was elected regional representative to the state 4-H Executive Committee. She also participated in the public speaking contest.

Other West Feliciana Parish 4-H members participating in contests were **Sarah Brian**, Career Preparation, **Lorna Klein**, Fashion Revue and **Jessie Loyd**, Photography. **Kelly Hughes** attended the Clover College seminar, "Exploring the World of Sports".

Rifle Team

Five members of the parish 4-H rifle team represented Louisiana in Junior Olympic competition in Aniston, Alabama this summer. Team members were **Christian Hashagen**, **Michael Liuzza**, **Leah Ewing**, **Tanner Morgan** and **Collin Morgan**.

The team finished in 21st place overall. **Michael Liuzza** scored the 5th highest score in the 15 – 16 year old age group. **Leah Ewing** shot the 8th place score in the 13 & 14 year old age group.



Horse Shows

Sarah Brian exhibited the *Grand Champion Appaloosa Halter Mare* at the SE District show and placed 2nd in the halter class at the state show. She also placed 5th in *Western Pleasure* and 2nd in *Reining* at State. At District Sarah placed 2nd in *Western Riding*, 3rd in *Reining*, 5th in *Western Showmanship*, 7th in *Western Pleasure* and *Western Horsemanship*, and 9th in *Trail*.

Kelly Hughes was a member of a 5th place team in *Team Penning* at the state show. At District she placed 4th in *Stake Race* and 8th in *Pole Bending*.

Jessie Loyd placed 5th in *Pole Bending* at the state show.

All three exhibitors were eligible to compete in the Southern Regional Horse Show in Virginia in July. **Jessie Loyd** represented Louisiana in *Pole Bending* and *Barrel Racing* at the regional competition.

4-H Camp

A great group attended camp for 4th – 6th graders in June. They participated in tracks such as Outdoor Skills, Louisiana's Wetlands, S.E.T. (Science, Engineering, and Technology), Dramatic Arts, and Food and Nutrition. There were also dances, swimming, arts and crafts, a talent show, and other fun activities.

Toler Beauchamp qualified for state archery competition in August by placing 1st in the camp competition. **Kale Kirkland** qualified for the state rifle competition for his 4th place finish in the camp competition. **Naomi Smith** represented West Feliciana in the camp talent show.

Thanks to **Jessie Loyd** and **Marie Rider**, junior counselors, and **Mrs. Sherry Alexander** and **Mrs. Thelma Layton**, volunteer leaders, for all their help at camp.

LOST Camp

Aaron Barr and **Lorna Klein** attended the new 4-H summer camp for 7th and 8th graders from all over Louisiana with a focus on science, engineering, and technology. **Chrystal Lachney** attended as a junior counselor.

Marsh Maneuvers

Lillian Barber, **Katrina Hashagen**, **Jessie Loyd**, and **Miranda Nunnery** joined 4-H members from four other parishes for the week-long environmental camp at the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge in Cameron Parish.

Hands-on activities like marsh restoration planting, airboat rides, crabbing, trawling for shrimp, and night wildlife hikes supplemented daily lectures to teach the 4-Hers about the significance of Louisiana's wetlands and the delicate biological balances in marsh ecosystems.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

4-H Night with the PBR, August 16 – Tickets to the Chris Shivers Gerry Lane Invitational can benefit the parish 4-H Foundation. \$5 of each ticket purchased from West Feliciana using the 4-H form will be donated back to the parish 4-H program. You can see a great night of bull riding & help the 4-H program at the same time! If you haven't gotten your tickets yet, contact the 4-H office for an order form. It's not too late!

4-H Night with the LSU Tigers, September 13

A large tailgate party is planned for this special game. The day will kick off with the Chancellor's Centennial Health Walk at 10 am. There will be food, games, and door prizes at Parker Coliseum throughout the afternoon. The LSU Cheerleaders, Golden Girls, Mike the Tiger, and Tiger Girls will all attend the program.

The game will be September 13 when LSU plays North Texas, beginning at 7 p.m. in Tiger Stadium. Tickets sold out fast, but for those who missed out on tickets, the game will be aired on a big screen TV in the MiniBarn. Visit www.louisiana4h.org for more information or call the parish 4-H office at 635-3614.



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Junior Leader Club – This club, which meets once a month outside school hours, will be open to all 4-Hers in 8th grade and up who want to be more involved in 4-H. Junior leader club members plan and participate in leadership and community service projects and have opportunities for involvement outside the parish.

A meeting of last year's junior leader club members will be held Tuesday, August 26, 6 pm at the 4-H office to make plans before beginning recruitment for the new school year.

State Fair – A 4-Her can send an exhibit in these divisions: arts and crafts, clothing, forestry, photography, and home accessories. Cash premiums and ribbons will be awarded. Exhibits must be turned in to the parish office by October 15. Rules and descriptions of classes will be available at the 4-H office.

4-H ON THE WEB!

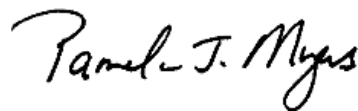
The parish 4-H web page is currently up-to-date and has some photos from 4-H summer activities. Go to www.lsuagcenter.com, click on "Parish Offices" on the right, then navigate to the West Feliciana page.

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!

As you look forward to the school year, you can also look forward to the 4-H club year. We will begin having meetings at schools in September, but for now this newsletter will get you up to date with what happened this summer and what is coming up.



We look forward to seeing you at the first 4-H meetings in September. Each of you is important to us and we hope you will join 4-H again this year and get involved in the many activities available.



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