

## JASPER COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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## **Butterfly Capital of Texas**



Let's Grow
Let's Make Texas 4-H Stronger ... Together

2014-2015 District 5 now through APRIL

# 4-H Virtual Bass Fishing Tournament

Fish anywhere you want, in groups and with others. You must be a member of 4-H to participate. This is a catch and release tournament. You can fish from any lake, river or pond. Boats are not a requirement.

When you catch a fish, you take a picture of the fish laying on a **Check it Stick**, along with a common item that is not identified until 30 minutes before the tournament starts. Post the picture to the District 5 Facebook page. Your top 5 bass count towards the winning weight.

A one-time fee of \$25 lets you fish in all remaining tournaments: Feb. 28, March 28 and April 18. More information:

For D5 events & contests registration, click here d54-h/virtual-fishing-tournament/ or go to our county page http://
jasper.agrilife.org and click on events, or call Agent Brock Fry at 384-3721.

## 4-H Food, Fashion & Photography

County FOOD SHOW is Nov. 8 at Call Baptist Church, Saturday starting at 9 am. We have nine participants signed up — wish them luck.

County FASHION SHOW is in February but look click here for: 4-H County Fashion Workshops .District Fashion Show will be at 4-H Roundup in April.

Start taking pictures now for the County PHO-TOGRAPHY CONTEST that takes place in January. click here: 4-H County Photgraphy Contest Flier. For information about categories and guidelines go to the following website: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2014/09/14-15 photo rules state contest.pdf

For more information about these events, contact Agent Cindy Van Devender, 409-384-3721



# Reflections from the State Fair of Texas

by Brock Fry

Madisyn and Macy McClelland of the Buna 4-H Club visited the State Fair of Texas in Dallas in October to show their Jr. Market Swine projects. Jasper 4-H is very proud of them and they did so well and made it into the show ranking both of their hogs as top market barrows in the show.

The State Fair of Texas show has several hundreds of Swine in the competition. They both learned more about showing swine and competing at high levels. This is not new to the McClelland family as they show in a few Major shows each year. They could not participate in these competitions without the help of dedicated parents Nikki and Tony McClelland.

Macy placed 13<sup>th</sup> in her class and Madisyn 8<sup>th</sup> which makes Jasper Proud. If you get a chance congratulate them and wish them much luck as they will be competing in other major livestock shows and representing Jasper County 4-H.



### LOCAL 4-H news & deadlines

from 4-H coordinator Brock Fry:

Forth Worth Stock Show: Jasper County 4-H registrations for Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Goats need to be submitted to our office by Nov.10, 2014.

Houston Stock Show, Star of Texas Austin, and San Antonio Livestock show: Jasper County 4-H registrations for livestock shows need to be submitted by Nov.21, 2014.

If you want to participate in a Calf Scramble at a major show you will need to let the Extension office know.

Poultry workshop offered for Jasper County 4-H youth and parents on Dec. 11, 2014 for learning about raising poultry for livestock shows. This workshop will discuss facilities, management, feeding and care for show poultry. This workshop will be held at the Country Feed Store in Kirbyville @ 2203 S Margaret Ave, Kirbyville, TX 75956. The start time is 6 p.m.

A Youth Board meeting will be held at Jasper County Extension Office on November 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6 p.m. If you want to expand your leadership abilities this is an excellent way to put those leadership skills to the test. The Jasper County Youth Board is made up of youth and these youth don't have to be in 4-H to participate that address educational needs in our schools and community. Please invite a friend to participate. This opportunity is open to all youth that want to make a difference where they live. This will be a training meeting, so be prepared to learn about your role on the Board.





Madisyn & Macy McClelland of Buna 4-H at State Fair of Texas

Enroll NOW for 2014-15 4-H year; if you are a returning member, please be sure to update your profile including EMAIL address. Click on this

link: Welcome to Texas 4-H

(http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/files/2014/07/ WelcometoTexas4H\_1415.pdf)

Do it now & save: register by Oct. 31 and it's only \$20 for the whole 4-H year; after Nov. 1 it's \$25

#### In the planning stages:

District 5 4-H Winter Formal Winter Wonderland

Dec. 13 from 7 to 10 pm

at the Richard B. Hubbard Center

in Tyler. Door prizes!

Tickets: \$5 single/ \$8 per couple,

includes light refreshments. Details to be announced

**Food/Nutrition Extravaganza** — Feb. 14, 2014 SFA in Nacogdoches. District Food Show, Nutrition Quiz Bowl, Food Challenge and Ag Product ID.

## 2014 Junior Leadership Retreat

Nov. 7—9, 2014

4-H Conference Center in Brownwood

4-H State Council members lead educational workshops for 4-H members ages 9-14; dancing, games & fun.

\$115 for youth & \$80 for adults.

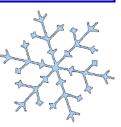
To register, visit texas4hcenter.tamu.edu or click texas4hcenter

Bookmark our website and 4-H newsletters will only be a click away!



Jasper County 4-H Facebook Page

https:// www.facebook.com/ pages/Jasper-County-4 -H/149534565116114





#### October

24 County food show entries are due 25 Virtual Fishing Tournament

27 4-H County Council. 7 pm at JNEC in Kirbyville

#### **November**

8 Holiday Market, last farmers market of the season 8 County Food Show, Call Junction Baptist Church

10 Ft. Worth stock show deadline for registration

11 Veterans Day Holiday, office closed

12-14 Texas 4-H Summit, details TBA

13 Youth Board meeting, Ext. office at 6 pm

21 Houston, Austin, San Antonio and Jasper County stock shows deadline for registration

24 4-H County Council at JNEC in Kirbyville

27-28 Thanksgiving, office closed

#### **December**

11 Poultry workshop at Country Feed, Kirbyville, 6 pm 12 County 4-H Clothing & Textile Workshop, 6-8 pm at Extension Office.

13 JCLS small animal tag-in

#### January 2014

27 County 4-H Clothing & Textile Workshop, details and location TBA (*To Be Announced*)

#### February

14 Food/Nutrition Extravaganza in Nacogdoches

28 Virtual Fishing Tournament

28 County 4-H Fashion Show

#### March

25 4-H Day at the Capitol

27-28 Jasper County Junior Livestock Show & Sale

28 Virtual Fishing Tournament

26-April 5 YMBL Livestock Show in Beaumont

#### <u>April</u>

18 Last in the series: Virtual Fishing Tournament25 D5 Roundup & Fashion Showcase in Nacogdoches

County 4-H Council meetings are last Mondays (during school year) at the JNEC community room in Kirbyville. County Council meetings are open to everyone!

Register for 4-H or check on events & contests https://www.4honline.com/ http://d54-h.tamu.edu/



## Parents page



Jasper County Farmers Market Holiday Market is Nov. 8, 2014, 8 am to 2 pm

HOLIDAY MARKET is the last market of the season and great big finale to the 2014 farmers market season, with lots more arts & crafts, holiday gifts and many local charities take this opportunity to hold fundraisers, cookbook & bake sales & more.

Holiday market will also feature a cook off — recipes must include PECANS this year — and a decorated hat contest. Rules & info online at:

http://jasper.agrilife.org/event/holiday-market/

From now 'til then, visit the regular farmers market every Saturday morning, 8 to 11 am, in the Tractor Supply parking lot at 190 & 96. You have to come early for best selections; many vendors sell out quickly. Expect to find farm fresh produce, local honey, herbs, jams, jellies & pickles, flowers, handcrafted items, birdhouses & more.

JCFM is a member of the Texas Certified Farmers Market Association.

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## TEXASINVASIVES.ORG

Citizen Scientist training:

### JASPER INVASIVE SPECIES Workshop

SATURDAY, Nov. 15, 8:30 am to 3 pm at the FIRE HALL, 205 Water St., Jasper, TX 75951 (1 block south of courthouse)

#### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Learn to identify invasive plants, insects and invertebrates and post your sightings to a database where scientists (*and you!*) can monitor the spread of noxious species.

**Cost:** \$15 covers coffee, lunch & class handouts What to bring: notebook, digital camera or smart phone, GPS and/or laptop or tablet if you have one. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

**RSVP required** — please call Jasper County Extension office at 409-384-3721

Follow this link for complete flyer:

Invasive Species Workshop http://jasper.agrilife.org/ files/2014/10/Invasives-11-15-2014.pdf



Program by Texas Forest Service, hosted by Longleaf Ridge Master Naturalists



Two Chamber of Commerce events coming up:

**Business EXPO**, Nov. 6. Thursday, 5 to 7 pm at First United Methodist Church in Jasper; FREE to the public, a showcase for Jasper's favorite businesses and organizations.

Christmas in the Park, Saturday, Nov. 29, details to come, keep checking the Chamber's website. Santa Claus house, train rides thru Sandy Creek Park, crafts, music and festival foods.

#### Virtual 4-H Volunteer Conferences

These online volunteer trainings let you learn how to be an effective volunteer from the comfort of your home or office. Trainings are scheduled for Nov. 19 & 20, 2014 and April 21 & 22 and August 4 & 5 next year, 2015.

The goal is to provide volunteers with information and resources needed to lead 4-H programs and projects, including club management, leadership, project training and youth/adult opportunities.

Keep up with updates, click here: Volunteer Conference

If you miss a session or want to see what has been covered in the past, you can click on links to previous conferences at: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/volunteer conference/

## Calling all D-5 Counties! **Canned Foods Competition**



#### October 1 - November 14

The winning county will be announced at YES Camp! Goods are to be collected and distributed within each county. Check with your agent or district council representative for drop off location(s). Goods are to be counted by item. During the competition, send us your pictures via the D5 Facebook page or

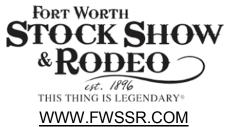
email to: d54h@ag.tamu.edu.

Winners earn braggin' rights! Let's do our part and help to feed our communities!

## **Around the state**

**District 9 Shooting Sports** Coach / Leader Training Nov. 22-23, Hunstville TX Shotgun, Rifle, Archery & Pistol \$120; register on **4-H Connect** by Nov. 9. (late registration allowed, Nov. 10-16 for \$150).

#### STATE LIVESTOCK SHOWS



JAN. 16 - FEB. 7



WWW.SARODEO.COM FEB. 12—MARCH 1



WWW.RODEOHOUSTON.COM MARCH 3-22, 2015



WWW.RODEOAUSTIN.COM MARCH 14-18, 2015

## DAIRY MOBILE AT BUNA AG DAY





#### **STOCK SHOW U**

Nov. 15-16, Mont Belview, TX Sullivan's Supply will again offer a Stock Show University for youth throughout Southeast Texas. This is not a 4-H event, but it does give kids a chance to learn more about showing animals.

Students can go to sullivansupply.com and fill out a pre-registration form, making sure they fill out the one for <u>Cherry Creek Arena</u>. This is NOT required but the team that is putting this on needs an approximate head count.

This is FREE for participants. The only cost to participants will be the transportation to and from the event and if they need overnight lodging. There will be breakfast, lunch and dinner served on Saturday and breakfast and lunch served on Sunday for everyone under the barn, not just youth.

Sullivan's professors teach what to look for when purchasing a show calf, how to take care of it...daily care, bathing, brushing, feeding, clipping, fitting and how to get their animal to its full potential for the show ring. They also teach showmanship skills and confidence building techniques.

There will be a showmanship competition directly following Stock Show U. This is not part of SSU but anyone who wants to stay and participate is welcome. This will be organized by Barbers Hill FFA. Any questions regarding the Showmanship competition should contact Mary Wilson at MWILSON@bhisd.net.

Any questions regarding SSU should contact Tabitha at 281-507-9738 or email at dtklise@verizon.net

For more about Stock Show U, go to sullivansupply.com/ssu\_home\_page.html and watch the videos.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the 4-H Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply Oct. 8—19. This annual fundraiser help support local 4-H clubs and activities.

