



DENTON COUNTY 4-H FORECAST

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Keeping Up in 2004

Feb 2

Extension Conference Room
 Ambassador Meeting 6:30 pm
 4H Council 7:00 pm
 Adult Leaders & Club Mgr 7 pm

March 5-7

Scrapbook Retreat, Brownwood

March 30 - April 4

DCLA Youth Fair

July 7-9

4-H County Camp, Brownwood

July 12-16

L.E.A.P. Outdoor Adventure

July 21-24

Prime Time 1 & 2, Brownwood

July 26-31

SpecTra, Brownwood

HORSE SHOWS

April 17

Rain Date May 8

County Horse Show

June 16-17

District Horse Show

July 26-30

State Horse Show

STOCK SHOW DATES

Ft Worth Stock Show -

Jan 22 - Feb 7, 2004

www.fwstockshowrodeo.com

San Antonio Stock Show -

Feb 7 - 21, 2004

www.sarodeo.com

San Angelo Stock Show -

Feb 20 - 29, 2004

www.sanangelo.com

Houston Stock Show -

Feb 25 - March 16, 2004

www.rodeohouston.com

Workshops

Can we talk?

Public Speaking workshops will be conducted during the months of

February and

March in order to

prepare our members for the Public Speaking Contest.

Amanda Gross will lead each session. The workshops will be linked so that information is delivered in a useful pattern. All sessions will be conducted in the Extension Conference Room and will start promptly at 6:30 pm and close at 8:30 pm.



February 3

“Where Do I Begin”

February 17

“InfoSearch”

February 24

“Fear No More”

March 2

“Mission Organization”

March 16

“One Time Stand”

DCLA New Address

for Mailing Entries:

DCLA Youth Fair

P O Box 428

Sanger TX 76266

Press Conference

March 1, 2004 - 7:00 pm

Extension Conference Room

All Queen and Princess candidates

are to be at the Press Conference

to receive instructions and have

their pictures taken. DCLA

superintendents will give brief

reports about their specific areas.

All clubs are encouraged to

support their chosen candidates.

Eddie Baggs is Back

Not an area stranger, but Eddie Baggs is new in the position of agriculture agent. Eddie served as the 4-H agent from 1992-98, while finishing his master's degree in agriculture education at Tarleton State University. He was recently honored by the Texas A&M University Agriculture Program, receiving the Vice Chancellor's Award in Excellence for his work on *Horse Theft Awareness & Prevention*. With team members he helped create a program that offers guidance to horse breeders, owners to help prevent potential crimes related to the horse industry. Denton County is pleased to welcome him back.

Public Speaking

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. A member of the Texas A&M University System and its statewide Agriculture Program.

Denton County 4-H's Habitat for Humanity Project

Denton County 4-H will be raising \$50,000 to build a house for Habitat for Humanity of Denton County.

Yes, this is a large project. However, if we set our goals and work together we will achieve it. This project is open to all who want to help do something great! We need your contribution small or large. This house will always be known as the House that Denton County 4-H built. If you have questions please call Michael Schertz or the Extension office 940-349- 2884 or Meredith Gosnell 940-240-0129 or Rebecca Acrey at 817-439-4503.



◆The road to success is always under construction.
--Unknown

◆Make the most of yourself, for that is all there is for you.
--Ralph Waldo Emerson

◆The future belongs to those who see possibilities before they become obvious.
--Unknown



National 4H Council Seeks Photos for 2006 4-H Calendar

Do you have a state or county fair award-winning photo from 1999-2004? Submit it to National 4-H Council's annual 4-H photo contest by March 1, 2004.

Thirteen photos will be selected for the 2006 4-H Calendar. Winning photos will be displayed at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD and on www.4-hmall.org from September 2004 to December 2004 prior to being returned. They will be gallery-mounted and framed. An engraved brass plate with the photographer's name make this an impressive award.

Winners will be notified around May 2004 and are required to sign (along with parent/guardian) a release to use the photo in the 2006 4-H Calendar. We will also request a second photo to display at the National 4-H Conference Center. Winning photographs will be returned no sooner than December 10, 2004. Submissions not selected for the calendar will be returned by August 2004.

Submissions will only be considered for the 2006 4-H Calendar if they include the following information and criteria:

1. Full name and age of person submitting photograph.
2. Affiliation with 4-H .
3. Complete return address (for both UPS delivery and USPS

First Class Mail).

4. Telephone number with area code.
5. List of county, state, 4-H, or other awards that submitted photographs have received.
6. A 25-word or less description of the photo from the photographer.
7. Photo submissions should be 8"x 10", in color, and in a horizontal format. Vertical shots will be accepted only if they can be cropped to fit the horizontal format of the calendar.
8. Please do not submit digital photos printed on a home printer, color photocopies, or low resolution digital prints. The submitted print must have been printed or developed at a photo processing store.

Please submit photos to:

2006 4-H Calendar

National 4-H Supply Service

7100 Connecticut Avenue

Chevy Chase, MD 20815

If you experience any difficulties, please contact us for assistance.
mcascioli@fourhcouncil.edu



National 4H Congress

Atlanta Georgia

November 26-30, 2004

Cost: \$1,200 per delegate - may fluctuate depending on air fare prices. Any unfunded portion of the final cost will be the responsibility of the participant.

A total of up to 30 senior age youth will be selected through application and interview.

Check the website-

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events>

State Fair of Texas Scholarships

This scholarship is available to 4H members who have shown at this fair. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity check the following website:

<http://www.bigtex.com/scholarship.html>

or call

Candis Wheat at

214. 421. 8715.

Links may also be accessed from

Page One of

www.bigtex.com



Mineola Jr Livestock Show

March 27, 2004

Registration 7 -9 am

Judging 10 am

Buckles awarded to all division and Market Champions

\$5 entry fee charged for each animal entry

Travis Chapin takes

Denver by Storm and wins big with his **Sweet Lips**.

Denver Bound

Not to be put off by a wee bit of weather and a slight virus – Travis Chapin and Christopher Gosnell tackled the wind and snow of Colorado to compete at the Producers Show.



Though the competition was fierce and intense . This experience proved advantageous as both boys won–Travis bringing home the Grand Champion Sweet Lips and Christopher never breaking stride to tow in TuShow the Reserve Grand Champion. This was an excellent experience for the competitors, and it was a real pleasure to bring two major awards from Colorado to Texas. Coming home was delayed just a bit as Travis won a red Angus heifer and health papers had to be completed prior to facing the Denver weather and the snows of Amarillo as this winning team of *Two For Texas* headed home.

Travis and Christopher are excellent representatives for Denton County 4-H.

Congratulations!

Once again you make us proud!



NOTICE BOARD

Eligibility Forms are due one week in prior to a 4-H event.

Members must determine the school's guidelines for absences. If the school requires a letter from the 4-H Office, members must request one.

Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarships are due in the 4-H Office on February 9 before 4 pm. For application go to texas4-h.tamu.edu/foundation

4-H Recordbook Information

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recbk/schol.html>

Loyalty, how to create loyalty?

- Create trust and loyalty in other people
- Make yourself somebody who can be reliable
- Gain the loyalty of your family, friends and colleagues

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