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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	07 Plant ID Practice Extension Office 3:00pm	08 JANUARY SALTFORK 4-H MEETING Morday, Jarwary 8th, @ 4:00 pm MISD	09 YCJLS Creative Arts & Pound Cake Entry Check-In Young County Arena 5:00-7:00pm	10	11 <b>Үсјьз</b>	12 YCJLS	13 Ycjis
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	28	29 County Council Extension Office 5:00pm 4-H Parent Adult Leaders Extension Office 6:00pm Horse Project Practice Hysmith 6:00-8:00pm Archery Practice Archery Barn 6:00pm Weather Permitting See FB for Updates	30 Archery Practice Archery Barn 6:00pm Weather Permitting See FB for Updates	30 Robotics Kick-Off Meeting Olney High School Ag Building Rm #102 4:00pm		אר אר ל	****** *****

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Young County 4-H

STEP ONE: ENROLL IN 4-H Enroll in Young County 4-H by registering onlin



Young County 4-H Enrollment kicks off September 1, 2023 and will remain open through August 31, 2024. To enroll in Young County 4-H please visit the Texas 4-HOnline registration link: <u>https://texas.4honline.com//</u> and complete your family and member profile. All returning and new 4-H members will need to go online and update their membership status for the new 2023-2024 year. General membership (3-12 grade) fee is \$25 through

- October 31. November 1 registration will increase to \$30 for remain the same throughout the year. Clover 4-H membership (K-2 grade) is \$10. Membership is valid for 1 year.
- For more information or detailed instructions please call us at the Extension Office 940-549-0737.

Please be sure to update your project interests to ensure that you are receiving project appropriate information outside of general 4-H updates highlighted here in the 4-H newsletter.

4-H Leaders & Parent Volunteers should also enroll! By volunteering you are ....





# **CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

4-H Clubs are the most traditional and effective delivery mode of 4-H programming to youth.

Club meetings are learning "laboratories" where members develop social skills including communicating and working with others, practice leadership skills, develop strong character, and become responsible citizens by participating in community service activities. It's a wonderful way for youth to become exposed to new and exciting experiences and activities in a safe and familiar environment.

Club Meetings are held once a month and generally include an ice breaker, inspiration, program, business, recreation and/or community service project. Meetings typically last 60-90 minutes. Club Meetings & Times are published in the 4-. H monthly Calendar.

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	80	Olney 4-H	First Baptist Church Olney, TX	2nd Sunday	4:00pm	Olney Community Club	Kaci Creel Club Manager
/	ALONE WE CAN	Saltfork 4-H	NISD Cafeteria Newcastle, TX	2nd Monday	4:00pm	Newcastle Community Club	Dancey Creel Club Manager Ashlyn Grogan Assistant Club Manager
	DO SO LITTLE.	Lone Star 4-H	Extension Office Graham, TX	3rd Sunday	5:00pm	Graham Community Club	Loretta Shields Club Manager Allison Jobe Assistant Club Manager
	TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH.	Renewed 4-H	East Side Church of Christ Activity Center Graham, TX	2nd Friday	10:00am	Home-School Club	Gabby Pitcock Club Manager Amanda Bivens Assistant Club Manager
	-HELLEN KELLER PLEASE REFER TO MONTHLY 4-H CALENDAR & FACEBOOK AS MEETINGS MAY CHANGE DUE TO HOLIDAYS AND/OR OTHER SCHEDULE CONFLICTS.						

# COUNTY **OPPORTUNITY**

### Council Membership Last Monday of Each Month 5:00pm at Extension Office

4-H County Council plan and coordinate 4-H activities in the county. The Young County 4-H Council also promotes county, district and state level 4-H activities. County Council is comprised of 4-H members

from each of the various 4-H clubs in the County. Clubs are encouraged to have two to three council delegates who will attend the County 4-H Council meetings.

### Ambassadors

Ambassadors help to promote and advertise 4-H to other vouth. volunteers, and community leaders. They help others understand how 4-H affects the lives of young people and how it addresses key youth issues in the community and state.

#### Parent Adult Leaders Last Monday of each month 6:00pm at Extension Office

The County 4-H Parent Adult Leaders' Association is composed of volunteer 4-H leaders, parents, & interested community members who meet and work together to improve and enhance opportunities available to 4-H members. These volunteers: • Are dedicated to the well-being and development of youth.

• Assume direct responsibilities in working with youth.

• Believe in a helping relationship between youth and adults. • Seek to improve their own abilities

in working with youth.

• Any interested volunteer 4-H leader may belong to the association. All 4-H leaders, parent, and interested community volunteers within the county are invited

to association meetings. PAL develops and supports volunteer 4-H leaders in their roles with 4-H clubs, members and activities.

# **STEP THREE: GET INVOLVED!**

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# BE A LEADER!

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All 4-H Clubs create opportunities to develop and use leadership skills. Members will elect officers such as President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Additional examples include opportunities for youth to mentor other members, plan events, conduct fundraisers,

use parliamentary procedure to make decisions, and many other leadership skills.

Each county offers a variety of opportunities for 4-H members to get involved beyond their club. Reach out to the Young County Extension Office to find out what you could do, such as serve on advisory councils, plan 4-H events, serve as mentors, help promote 4-H or teach 4-H programs... depending on the leadership role that fits you best!

# **STEP FOUR: PARTICIPATE!**

Contact us and we will determine what resources are available to help you get started! Sometimes a project that the member is interested in is not currently being done in the club they are in or interested in joining. The member may still complete that project, but typically, their parent will become the project leader for them.

When deciding on which project(s) to get involved with, it is important to take the time to research it. Some questions a member may ask him/herself are:

- Do I like this project?
- Can I complete this project?
  - How much will this project cost?
- Do I have space and equipment for this project?
- How can this project help me grow?
- What areas can I move into?
- When is this project complete?
- Can my parents help me with this project?

# **PROJECT UPDATES** LIVESTOCK PROJECT

Project Contact: Savanna Williams

County Show Swine Prep/Fitting -(For those that would like help) **January 8th** Location: Graham Project Center Time: Please contact Savanna to Schedule 940.549.0737

MAJOR STOCK SHOW RESOURCES

https://www.fwssr.com/p/livestock-shows/livestock-premium-list

https://www.texaseliteshowcase.com/

https://www.sarodeo.com/p/competiti

https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/live

stock1/entries-premiumbook

Show and Rodeo



### Equipment and Supplies

- Glue
- Paints
- Powderful
- Kleen Sheen or alternative П
- Break Down product of choice Revive – equivalent
- п
- Oil Final Bloom, Flare Shock
- п **Rubbing Alcohol**
- Locks and Cables
- Paper Towels and baby wipes
- Combs - plastic and metal
- Tail clamp and tail bag
- Extension Cords – short for clippers and long/heavy duty for blowers etc
- Cord splitters
- Lights
- Fogger
- Blower(s)
- п Show Halters
- Show Sticks
- Number Harness
- Extra Rope Halters
- Neck Ropes + Extras if you have tie-outs
- Drench gun (if allowed at show)
- Vet Wrap halter chains or chute
- Paperwork

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- □ Proof of show entry You never know

### Washing

- Wash Hose and nozzle
- Wash Bucket and Brush
- П Foamer and foamer nozzle
- Wash Pants and boots
- □ Soap & Conditioner Dip (vinegar, fly repellent etc)
- Jool Box

#### □ Zip Ties

- Hose Clamps
- Wire and Cutters
- П Hammer and Nails
- Drill and screw drivers П
- Screws п
  - Extra blower switch in case it goes out Extra hose nozzle/hose splitter
- Pliers
- Extra rubber washers for hose
- Scissors
- Sharpie Pen
- Wrenches

#### Vet Box

- □ Check with your veterinarian to get antibiotics/anti-inflammatories to have with you in case they get sick
- Syringes and needles, balling gun
- □ Wound dressing
- □ Thermometer

# HORSE PROJECT

STOCK SHOW & RODEO

Project Contact: William Hysmith & Oteka Gibson

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JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
5TH & 6TH District 3 high school rodeo community service project @young county arena	8TH PRACTICE AT THE GIBSON'S @6-8PM	<b>17TH</b> Practice at the Hysmith's @2-4PM	4TH Practice at the Gibson's @6-8PM	2ND Practice at the Gibson's @6-8PM	6TH Practice at the Gibson's @6-8PM
8TH Practice at the Gibson's @6-8PM	<b>18TH</b> PRACTICE AT THE HYSMITH'S @2-4PM	24TH YCA BACK ARENA PRACTICE @2-4	14TH Practice at the Hysmith's @2-4PM	TBA: DISTRICT QUIZBOWL	13TH Practice at the Gibson's @6-8PM
<b>10TH</b> Tickets go on sale for World's greatest Horseman	24TH WORLD'S GREATEST HORSEMAN	TENTATIVE DATE TBA: Horse Quizbowl Practices Start		23RD PRACTICE AT THE HYSMITH'S @6-8PM	TENTATIVE DATES: DISTRICT HORSE SHOW JUNE 19TH-21ST
<b>14TH</b> YCA BACK ARENA PRACTICE @2-4		TENTATIVE DATE TBA: Record book workshop		<b>30TH</b> Practice at the Gibson's @6-8PM	TENTATIVE DATES: State Horse Show July 20th-26th
<b>30TH</b> Practice at the Hysmith's @6-8PM		deute country and	FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT WILLIAM AT 940.229.0609		
		HORSE PROJECT	OR OTEKA AT 210.865.6126		

□ Registration Papers □ Health Papers/Bill of Sale

# **PROJECT UPDATES**

Project Contact: Penny Berend

# FOOD & NUTRITION PROJECT

### Project Opportunities

YCJLS Creative Arts Contest On-Line Entry Registration Deadline: January 5, 2024 Registration Link can be found at young.agrilife.org under YCJLS

YCJLS Pound Cake Contest On-Line Entry Registration Deadline: January 9, 2024 Registration Link can be found at young.agrilife.org under YCJLS

# FASHION DESIGN PROJECT

Project Opportunities

### Project Leaders: TBA

**Project Kick-Off:** February 5, 2024 **VEW!** Location: Young County Extension Office Time: 5:00pm

### Contest Coach: TBA

Young County 4-H Fashion Show & Duds to Dazzle Contest March 2024 Day, Location & Time: TBD Registration Deadline: March 1, 2024

**District 3 4-H Fashion Show & Duds to Dazzle Contest** April 1, 2024 Location & Time: Archer City High School Registration Deadline: March 17, 2024

### Additional Opportunities

YCJLS Creative Arts Textiles Contest On-Line Entry Registration Deadline: January 5, 2024 Registration Link can be found at young.agrilife.org



# PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT

Project Opportunities

### Project Leader: Will Sadler

Project Meeting January 5, 2024 @ 4pm Location: Olney Enterprise



### Additional Opportunities

**YCJLS Creative Arts Photography Contest** On-Line Entry Registration Deadline: January 5, 2024

- Registration Link can be found at young.agrilife.org under YCJLS
- Entry Drop-Off & Judging Begins: January 9, 2024

Young County 4-H Photography Contest On-Line Entry Registration Deadline: January 5, 2024

Registration Link can be found at young.agrilife.org under YCJLS using the Creative Arts Contest as entry Entry Drop-Off & Judging Begins: January 9, 2024 \*County Contest will be held in conjunction with the YCJLS Creative Arts Photography Contest.

### District 3 4-H Photography Contest

On-Line Registration Deadline: texas.4honline.com January 11, 2024 (Tentative)

Photographs will be submitted electronically only.

Brazos Communications Annual Directory Photography Contest

More details to come! Please visit with your Photography Leader about this contest opportunity. Official rules be shared once they have been published.

# **ROBOTICS PROJECT**

Project Opportunities

### Robotics Project Leader: Dale Lovett

Project Kick-Off January 24, 2024 @ 4:00pm Location: Olney High School, Ag Building #102

\*If anyone is interested in volunteering to serve as the Graham leader/coach please contact the Extension Office at 940.549.0737



### Young County 4-H Newsletter



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