

April 24, 2015

- **The Spring 2015 Paper Clover Fundraiser is underway! April 22 - May 3, 2015!**

Support 4-H by donating \$1 at check out when they are done shopping at your local Tractor Supply store. 100% of each dollar goes to the 4-H. 70% of all funds collected support local and state 4-H programs right where you live!



- **Freestone County Classic 2015**

- **2015 Discover Science Method Poster Contest**

Several changes this year and those changes are listed below (and were originally sent out in the fall). [2014-2015 Discover Science Method Rules and Guidelines](#).

In an effort to increase participation in this contest, we have decided to align our contest rules to those of FFA, State Fair of Texas and San Antonio Livestock Exposition. This will make it easier for our youth to be able to use the same science project at multiple contests.

- New Categories: (Descriptions are included in the attachments) (Pgs. 1-2)
 - Biochemistry/Microbiology/Food Science
 - Environmental Science/Chemistry/Earth Science
 - Animal Sciences
 - Plant and Soil Science
 - Engineering/Physics
 - Consumer Product Testing
- New Scorecard
 - The same scorecard will now be used for all age divisions.
 - Scorecard does have scores based on the notebook, display, and interview
 - Attached in a separate document
- Contest Overview/Layout (Pg. 2-3)
 - 5-10 minute presentation
 - 10-12 minutes question session with the judges
 - An individual can participate or be on a team up to six (6) members
- Research Notebook (Pg. 3)
 - Will be a factor on the scorecard
 - A guideline for what to include in the notebook is included in the attachment
- Poster Guidelines (Pg.2-3)
 - These have changed, please make of the new size requirements.
 - Poster dimensions: No larger than 48'' wide by 30'' deep (the distance from front to back) 108'' high (from floor to top, includes table if project is on table top), unfolded. Failure to meet these requirements will result in disqualification. Please note that the tables vary per convention location are generally 24'' wide.
 - Posters must stand upright on a table or the ground once unfolded.
 - The poster should include an abstract, introduction, background, methodology, results and/or conclusions.
 - Items not adhered to poster must fit on the tabletop within the dimension of the unfolded poster. Nothing may be hung from the top of the poster (lights, banner, shelf, etc.) that will be outside of the above mentioned poster dimensions.

Please note that you must enter on 4-H Connect under Texas 4-H Round-Up as well as submit the Entry Form, County Agent Approval Form, Human Vertebrate Endorsement and Non-Human Vertebrate Endorsement to Megan Logan at mmlogan@ag.tamu.edu by May 26, 2015.

- **2015 Invitational Photography Contest**

The Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents (TAE4-HA), a professional Extension organization for County Extension Agents, Specialists, and Extension Administrators for the purpose of professionalism, collaboration, and youth development. The members from District IV delegation are hosting an invitational photography contest for youth and adults to provide scholarship funds for district level 4-H leadership events. [Photography Contest D4AE4HA 2015 Rules and Guidelines](#)

ALL photos must be received by the District IV Photography Committee Chair by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015.

Late entries will not be accepted.

Addressed to:

ATTN: D4TAE4-HA Photography Contest

C/O Dr. Tamra McGaughy

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Contest participation will cost \$10.00 for the first photo and \$1.00 for each additional photo per individual. Payment can be check or money orders only and should be mailed with photo submissions. Payment should be made out to **D4AE4-HA Photography Contest**. Photos will not be consider as an entry until payment is received.

- **Texas 4-H Shotgun Camp (formerly known as JOSOC)**

The 4-H Shotgun Camp registration is open on 4-H Connect. This camp is formerly known as the 4-H JOSOC. It is recommended that all registrants review the information document attached before registering. Please read all information carefully. The camp, held in the College Station area in June, has limited positions for youth and adult participants. The camp is intended for medium range skill level shooters and is not a camp for beginning or advanced shooters. [2015 4H Shotgun Camp Information](#)