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Important Dates

Specific Meeting Information (location and times) may be found under the respective section of the newsletter. Just click the project in the table of contents and it will flip right to it.

- *November 1st - Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Application become available online (see Parker Co. 4-H)*
- *November 1st - ***Graduating Seniors *** Get FASFA done ASAP for scholarship applications*
- *November 1st - Quality Counts Renewal if 4-H'er has entered 6th or 9th grade*
- *November 2nd - Parker Co. 4-H Entomology Meeting (see Entomology Project to RSVP)*
- *November 2nd - Parker Co. 4-H Food and Nutrition Meeting (see Food Project to RSVP)*
- *November 4th - Parker Co. 4-H Food Show (see Food Project)*
- *November 4th - Parker Co. 4-H Food Challenge (see Food Project)*
- *November 6th - Parker Co. 4-H Parent Leader Association*
- *November 6th - Parker Co. 4-H Council*
- *November 7th - Major Stock Show Entry Deadline for ALL Junior Livestock Shows and Contests*
- *November 8th - Parker Co. 4-H Dog Project (see Dog Project to RSVP)*
- *November 10th - Extension Office Closed*
- *November 14th - D3 4-H Ag Product ID Registration Deadline on 4-H Online*
- *November 14th - D3 4-H Livestock Skill - A - Thon Registration Deadline on 4-H Online*
- *November 16th - Parker Co. 4-H Food and Nutrition Meeting (see Food Project to RSVP)*
- *November 20th - Parker Co. 4-H STEM Project Meeting (see STEM Project to RSVP)*
- *November 23rd - Extension Office Closed*
- *November 24th - Extension Office Closed*
- *November 27th - Parker Co. 4-H Fashion and Interior Design Meeting (see FID Project to RSVP)*
- *December - ***Graduating Seniors *** Get FASFA done mid-December for scholarship applications*
- *December 4th - Parker Co. 4-H Parent Leader Association Meeting*
- *December 7th - District 3 4-H Livestock Skill - A - Thon (registration required)*
- *December 7th - District 3 4-H Ag Product ID (registration required)*
- *December 7th - Parker Co. 4-H Entomology Meeting (see Entomology Project to RSVP)*
- *December 7th - Parker Co. 4-H Food and Nutrition Meeting (see Food Project to RSVP)*
- *December 13th - Parker Co. 4-H Dog Project (see Dog Project to RSVP)*
- *December 18th - Parker Co. 4-H STEM Project Meeting (see STEM Project to RSVP)*



A Word from Kayla

Stick your neck out there and go for it...

You only live once; if there is something that is on your heart to try, do not let the fear of failure or coming in last keep you from trying.

I get frustrated a lot because in many of the things we do in 4-H, the focus is on the placing. Though we say that winning isn't everything, it's hard not to get hung up on the color of that ribbon. I feel that focus can sometimes keep people from trying new things because they don't want to be the one getting last place. There is always going to be a first place and there's always going to be a final placing and those two individuals could have put in the same amount of hard work and effort.

The journey is what matters the most, and the fact that you worked hard and tried something new. So here's to sticking our neck out and trying new things. I recently stuck my neck out and tried my hand at running 26.2 miles in the Chicago Marathon. I was hours from finishing first, but I did it, and I am so very proud!

Have a great November everyone!

Remember, if you have questions, ASK. Tiff and I are here to help guide you through your 4-H adventure!

Kayla Neil





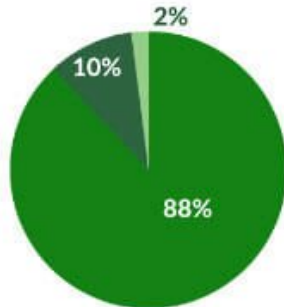
PARKER CO. 4-H

Parker Co. 4-H PLA Meeting (all parents welcome to attend)
Monday, November 6 @ 6PM @ the Extension Office

Parker Co. 4-H Council Meeting (all 4-H'ers welcome to attend)
Monday, November 6 @ 6PM @ the Extension Office
Special program on Self Defense

Parker Co. 4-H PLA Meeting (all parents welcome to attend)
Monday, December 4 @ 6PM @ the Extension Office

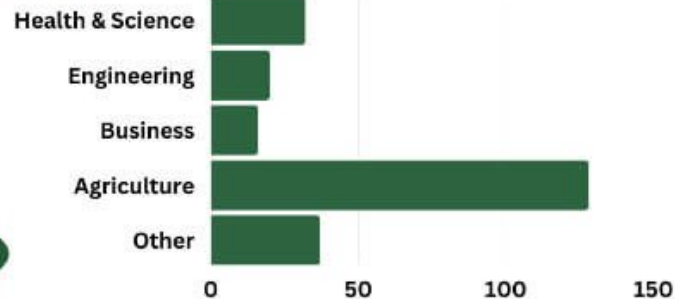
Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship 2023 Annual Report



TYPE OF SCHOOL RECIPIENTS ATTENDED

- Home School
- Public School
- Private School

TOP MAJORS OF RECIPIENTS



AVERAGE GPA OF RECIPIENTS

95.2

TOP 5 UNIVERSITIES RECIPIENTS ARE ATTENDING

94

recipients attending
TEXAS A&M
UNIVERSITY

37

recipients attending
TEXAS TECH
UNIVERSITY

21

recipients attending
WEST
TEXAS A&M
UNIVERSITY

13

recipients attending
TARLETON
STATE
UNIVERSITY

9

recipients attending
PRIVATE
UNIVERSITY

54%
female recipients



46%
male recipients



SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT



LANCE HOLLOWAY

"Holloway said that receiving this scholarship meant that everything he did paid off in the end; that "it was all worth it."

Holloway is currently a freshman at Texas A&M University, majoring in Business with hopes of going into the supply chain management field. "I'm not quite sure what my future will hold yet, but after graduation, I want to get a job somewhere back in the east Texas area, in hopefully the agriculture field, or just a business career in general," Holloway said. "I'm also on the trap and skeet team, which, from what I've learned in 4-H, I've kind of carried that over into the team for Texas A&M."

Holloway is thankful for his time in 4-H and recognized that the many opportunities presented to the youth in the Texas 4-H program would not be possible without the support of the many donors. "First off, I want to tell them thank you for contributing to one of the best programs for kids. I think 4-H is an amazing thing for meeting friends and learning valuable things that you can take with you throughout your life," Holloway said. "What I would say to the donors is just thank you for donating to such an organization that is helpful to so many youth in Texas."

TEXAS 4-H OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ABOUT:

The Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship Program awards academic scholarships each year to applicants based on their academic record, 4-H experience, and financial need. Thanks to our generous donors, we are able to award scholarships to 4-H members through Baccalaureate, Collegiate, Courageous Heart and Technical Scholarships. The goal of the scholarship program is to provide scholarship opportunities for 4-H members to attend a Texas college or university, to pursue a broad range of academic majors. Texas 4-H Youth Development has a proud history of providing young people with opportunities in leadership, citizenship, community service, and personal growth. The Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship Program began in 1959 with a \$1,000 scholarship. Since that time, our scholarship program has experienced tremendous growth, currently awarding over 220 scholarships totaling more than \$2.7 million annually.

INVEST IN THE FUTURE:

Any donation to the scholarship program makes a difference in the future of a young person. Supporting the Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship Program will ensure that deserving 4-H youth are able to expand their educational goals in preparation to become future leaders of our communities, state, country, and world.



TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS:

Baccalaureate:

Awarded to students who wish to pursue a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree from an accredited Texas College or University.

Collegiate:

Designated for former Texas 4-H members who have been graduated from high school for at least one year, at time of awarding, and have completed a minimum of 30 hours of college credit at a grade point average of at least a 2.7.

Courageous Heart:

Awarded to Texas 4-H members that are pursuing either a Baccalaureate or Technical degree and have had to overcome an extreme obstacle while staying active in both 4-H and school.

Technical:

Awarded to students who wish to pursue technical certification in a recognized and approved major or course of study.

TEXAS 4-H

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

2023 Texas 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship Important Dates

- November 1, 2023 – Application will be available online
- December 2023 - Complete FAFSA by Mid December
- February 15, 2024, by 11:59 PM – Deadline to Apply
- April 2024 – Interviews in College Station
- May 2024 – Award Notifications
- June 2024 – Scholarship Banquets in College Station

COMPLETED FAFSA REQUIRED TO APPLY

You must complete your FAFSA (The Free Application for Federal Student Aid) before submitting your scholarship application at <http://www.fafsa.gov/>. This is required for Baccalaureate, Technical, and Courageous Heart scholarships. Please complete this before mid-December.

If you wait, you may not have time to get the FAFSA paperwork submitted and receive the SAR report before the Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship application deadline. This is a required document to be attached to your application, without this you will not be able to apply.

Resources and Helpful Links

- [TEXAS 4-H FOUNDATION WEBSITE](#)
- [SCHOLARSHIP HANDBOOK](#)
- [SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL FAQ](#)
- [TEXAS 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL](#)



PARKER COUNTY 4-H

RECORD BOOKS

4-H RECORDBOOKS

County Record Books Due: Tuesday, June 18, 2024

Helpful Links

- [Family Guide to the Texas 4-H Record Book](#)
- [Record Book Score Sheet](#)
- [Record Book Categories](#)
- [Record Book Forms](#) (under General Information)
- Kayla's Road to the Record Book Short Instructional Videos
 - Please note...the record book format has changed since I filmed these videos, however I feel they are still very helpful in how to break down the process of completing your record book.
 - [Road to the Record Book #1](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #2](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #3](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #4](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #5](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #6](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #7](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #8](#)
 - [Road to the Record Book #9](#)

Parker Co. Parent Leader Association

We Need You!



WHAT WE DO

- Support the Extension Office
- Raise funds for camp sponsorships
- Cash for Clovers Scholarship Fundraiser



4-H Parents of Parker County, all are welcome and encouraged to join!

Going to have a senior soon? Come find out more about the PLA 4-H scholarship opportunities!

JOIN US:

1st Monday of each
month @ Extension
office 6pm

MORE INFORMATION

FACEBOOK: PARKER COUNTY 4-H PARENTS
GROUP



DISTRICT 3 4-H

This section will contain links and general information related to District 3 4-H information including District 3 4-H contests and activities

[D3 4-H Events Link](#)

2023-2024 District 3 Events Calendar

TBD: Horse Judging, Quiz Bowls (Horse, Livestock, & FCH), Meat Judging, Teen Leader Lab, and Record Book Judging

AUGUST

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FEBRUARY

SEPTEMBER

1 - 4-H Online Open Enrollment begins
7th – District 3 Fall Admin Meeting

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APRIL

???-Horse, Livestock, and FCH Quiz Bowls (early April)
???-Meat Judging (early April in Lubbock)
6th – Fashion Show, Duds to Dazzle, Fashion Storyboard
20th – Rifle/Pistol
???-Horse Judging

NOVEMBER

2nd – District 3 Judges & Commissioners Conference
8th – Livestock Judging
13th – Leaders for Life
29th – Food Show, Food Challenge

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MAY

4th – Trap
8th – Round-Up, Consumer Judging, Photography
14th – 15th Spring Admin Meeting
18th – Archery

DECEMBER

7th – Ag Prod ID, Livestock Skillathon
12th – Winter PDC (Archer City)

DECEMBER 2023						
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JUNE

3–6 State Round-Up
??? – Teen Leader Lab
19th – 21st Horse Show

JANUARY

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JULY

???—Record Book Judging

= State Event

= District Event



4-H CONSUMER DECISION MAKING

Do you like to shop?

Learn how to save money while shopping in the consumer decision making project. You'll learn how to compare prices, test for quality and make purchases based on facts and research.

In this project you will learn how to compare prices, test for quality and make purchases based on facts and research. You will also improve your: Money management skills, Smart purchasing skills and Decision-making skills.

This section will have practice consumer decision making classes and reasons examples to help you prepare for the District 3 4-H Consumer contest in the spring.

Sunglasses

Scenario

Camille loves to train outdoors for her marathons. Her running activities vary from early morning to mid-afternoon. She prefers to run outside instead of training on a treadmill, so she is looking for a pair of sunglasses.

It's important to her that they stay on her face well, so she wants a frame that has a grip on the nose pads and temples if possible. They should be durable yet comfortable, and protect her eyes since she is already sensitive to bright lights.

Her eyes are important to her, so she is willing to spend up to \$200 to make sure she gets what she needs.

Item #1



Color Block Surf Sunglasses - Wild Fable™ Blue/Black

Price - \$13.99

Keep your eyes protected from the sun

Shape: Surfer Shade

Material: Plastic (Frame)

Finish: Matte

Frame: Blue Polycarbonate

Temple Style: Hinged Temple

Protective Qualities: Scratch-resistant

Item #2



Women's Smoke Sunglasses - Wild Fable™ Brown

Price \$52

Two-tone sunglasses with brown on top and clear on the bottom of the frames. Smoky gray gradient lenses complement the frames.

Fit & style

- Oversized sunglasses with flat top brow
- Brown frames with clear accent around the bottom of the lenses
- Gray gradient lenses for a chic finishing touch

Material: Plastic (Frame)

Eyewear Lens Material: Polycarbonate

Item #3



OAKLEY FLAK 2.0

Price: \$163

These Oakley sunglasses are the ultimate sport sunglasses with its lightweight semi-rimless design for comfort and unobstructed views. The Oakley Flak 2.0 sunglasses feature the durable O Matter frame material, and Unobtainium earsocks and nose pads for increased and maintained optical alignment.

FRAME FEATURES

- Frame Features: Interchangeable Lenses, Rubber Nosepad, Rubber Temples
- Frame Materials: Plastic
- Temples: Straight

UVA/UVB Protection

PERFECT FOR

Baseball, Cycling, Fishing, Golf, Hiking, Mountain Bike, Racquetball, Running, Shooting, Softball, Team Sports, Tennis, Triathlon, Volleyball

Item #4



NIKE FLEET

Price \$188

Nike Fleet sunglasses are the ultimate mix between sport performance and style. The Nike Fleet is composed of Nike Max Optics, which provide precise clarity for an unrivaled visual experience.

Soft rubber temples, a floating nose pad, and ventilated frame components all work together to deliver a comfortable, customized fit and continuous visual clarity.

Nike Fleet sunglasses have you covered in every aspect of your active lifestyle.

UVA/UVB protection

FRAME FEATURES

- Frame Features: Rubber Nosepad, Rubber Temples
- Frame Materials: Plastic
- Temples: Bent

PERFECT FOR

Running

	Budget	Nose Grip	protection	durable
#1	13.99	X	Yes	Yes
#2	52.00	X	?	X
#3	163.00	Yes	Yes	Yes
#4	188.00	Yes	Yes	Yes

How do they measure up? Make a chart of Camille's needs.

Placings

3 4 1 2

Cuts

2 5 3

I placed this class of sunglasses 3 - 4 - 1 - 2 Finding a top pair of sunglasses that would fit Camille's needs and are more appropriate for running.

In my initial pair I placed 3 over 4. Both pairs are appropriate for Camille's running activities therefore price was the determining factor in deciding to place the Oakley's over the Nike sunshades.

In my middle pair I placed 4 over 1. The Nike Fleets have more gripping features and sun protective qualities than the surf Sunglasses.

Admittedly, you can't beat the price of the Color Block Surf sunglasses, however they just do not offer the features Camille is looking for.

In my final pair I placed 1 over 2. The color block surf sunglasses seem like they would be more durable and more appropriate for running than the Women's Smoke glasses.

I will admit the larger frame size of #2 might provide a bit more protection however they are more of a fashion sunshade and less suitable for running and have none of the specific features Camille is looking for, leaving them last.

Thank you



4-H DOG PROJECT

Wednesday, November 8th @6PM @ Extension Office

RSVP Required

Bring Shot Records and Rabies Certification

[Click Here to RSVP for November](#)

Please RSVP by Noon the day before the meeting
for planning purposes.

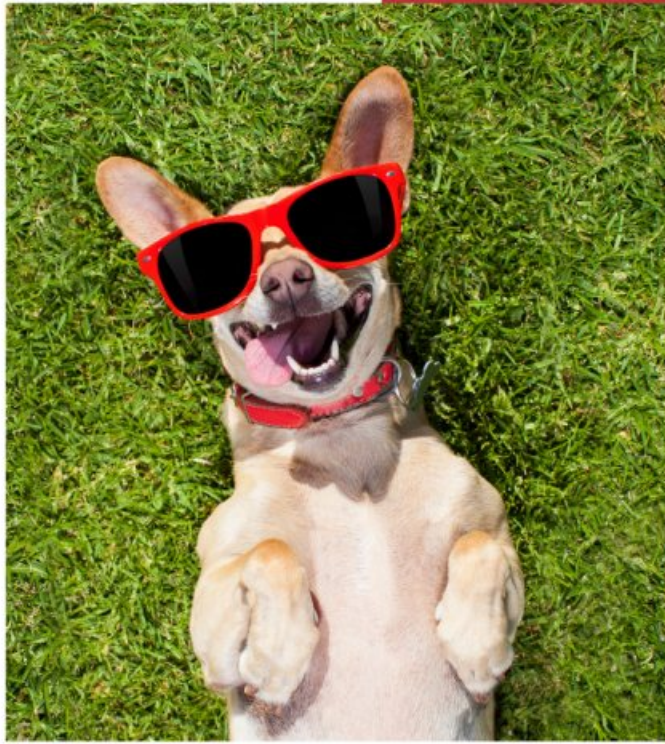
4-H DOG PROJECT



- September 13th - Introduction to Dog Project, Equipment and Etiquette.
- October 11th - Routine Dog Veterinary Care and Nutrition.
- November 8th - Walking on a Leash and the Confirmation Ring
- December 13th - Sit and Down, Dog Validation Requirements, Rally Basics, Dog Identification
- January 3rd - Parker Co. Animal Shelter Tour
- January 10th - Texas 4-H Dog Validation Due, Routine Dog Grooming and Review of Tricks Class.
- February 14th - Dog Olympics
- March 8th - Rally Pattern
- April 10th - Obedience
- May 8th - Dog Project Showcase and Graduation
- July 11th - 13th - Texas 4-H Dog Show location TBA

TEXAS 4-H DOG SHOW CLASSES AT A GLANCE

Note: The 2023-2024 Texas 4-H Dog Show Rules have not yet been released. The information below is based off of the 22-23 Rules and is subject to change.



Canine Good Citizen

- The Canine Good Citizen testing is a non-competitive opportunity for exhibitors to demonstrate their dog's basic good manners and earn the Canine Good Citizenship certificate through AKC. Started in 1989, the CGC Program is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The CGC Program is a program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. All dogs who pass the 10-step CGC test may receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club. Testing is subject to certified judge availability.
- The 10 Steps are...
 1. Accepting a friendly stranger
 2. Sitting politely for petting
 3. Appearance and grooming
 4. Out for a walk (walking on a loose lead)
 5. Walking through a crowd
 6. Sit and down on command and staying in place
 7. Coming when called
 8. Reaction to another dog
 9. Reaction to distraction
 10. Supervised separation

TEXAS 4-H DOG SHOW CLASSES

Photography

A detailed description of categories, size requirements and the photo submission process will of course be included in the 23-24 Rule Book.

- Dog - Still Life
- Dog - Active
- Storyboard
- Theme
- Funny Dog

Costume

Divided into age divisions - Junior, Intermediate and Senior. Judged on...

- Creativity - produce or create (not purchase) something unique, new and original.
- Showmanship - Personality, poise, confidence, expression and stage presence.
- Costuming - Appropriate for age and youth audience.
- Material Chosen - Appropriate for audience and the ability of the performer.
- Audience Appeal - Evokes reaction from audience that is desired from the performance.

Conformation

- Dog is judged on breed standards
- Shown in group classes
- Purebred dogs do not have to be registered
- Non-purebred dogs will be shown by weight

Showmanship

- Exhibitor is judged on ability to handle a dog
- Patterns may be directed
- Exhibitors may be asked questions regarding: dog anatomy, breeds, health and nutrition and 4-H trivia (resources found on Texas 4-H Dog Project page)
- Broken into age divisions and skill levels

TEXAS 4-H DOG SHOW CLASSES CONTINUED

Rally

- A series of signs give instructions for exhibitor to follow
- More relaxed than obedience
- May give hand and voice commands
- Broken into skill level and age division

Obedience

- A series of commands (signs or verbal, depending on level of experience) will provide direction to exhibitor
- Must choose between hand or voice commands, cannot use both
- Broken into skill level and age division

Drill

- Dog/Handler teams choreographed to music
- Exhibit obedience commands
- 5 minute routine

Freestyle Drill

- Props are allowed
- 1-3 or 4 or more members

Traditional Drill

- No props
- Minimum 3 members

Tricks

- Set list of tricks and point values
- Exhibitors handle dogs through 4 tricks from the list

Dog Skill-a-thon

Consists of a series of stations that are designed to test the exhibitor's dog science knowledge and skills.

- Individual contest
- Age divisions
- Don't have to show a dog to compete
- Stations formatted as matching, multiple choice, short answer etc.
- Topics include but not limited to:
 - animal behavior, care, safety and restraint
 - health and disease
 - anatomy, physiology and conformation
 - breed id
 - famous dogs/ working dogs / dog sports
 - nutrition and feeding
 - housing, facilities and training
 - genetics, reproduction and management of breeding animals
 - records management

Dog Olympics

Olympics is designed to encourage participation in the dog project and attend state dog show even if they are not yet ready to participate in the other higher level events.

- Push ups - the goal is for the dog to perform as many "push ups" as possible in 1 min. A push up begins with the dog sitting, then lying down, and coming back up to a sit.
- Marathon Sit - the goal for this event is for the dog to sit and stay for as long as possible.
- Treat Toss - the dog that can catch as many treats as possible in 1 min.
- Tail Wagging - for the dog to wag their tail as many times as possible in 30 seconds.
- 20 Yard Dash - for the dog to run as fast as possible to their owner 20 yards away.

DOG PROJECT EQUIPMENT

Martingale Collars



Flat Collars



Slip Collars



ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

- 6 ft leash
- Small Dog Treats
- Treat Bag (not mandatory but helpful)
- Clicker (not mandatory but helpful)
- 4-H Guide - Dog Training and Dog Tricks
(optional purchase)

DOG PROJECT ETIQUETTE/SAFETY

- Photocopy of rabies vaccination certificate must be carried with owners at all times when traveling with their dog in Texas
- Make sure your dog is feeling well
- Dogs should be clean and free of pests
- Bring bags to clean up after your dog
- Dogs will always remain on a leash
- Let dogs get settled before you try to pet others, this is a new setting and we don't want them to be stressed
- Don't pet another 4-H'er's dog without permission
- Keep your dog close when other dogs pass
- Don't allow/encourage your dog or other dogs to jump on you
- Don't let your dog bully other dogs - nipping or pouncing should not be encouraged
- Please do not bring a dog with aggressive tendencies (towards dogs or humans) to dog project
- Any dog that demonstrates aggressive tendencies will not be allowed to return for safety reasons



4-H ENTOMOLOGY PROJECT

Thursday, November 2 @6PM @ the Extension Office
RSVP Required
[Click Here to RSVP](#)

Thursday, December 7th @6PM @ the Extension Office
RSVP Required
[Click Here to RSVP](#)

Please RSVP by Noon the day prior to the project meeting



PARKER CO.

Entomology

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

6PM @ EXT. OFFICE

Hymenoptera

**LET'S LEARN ABOUT BEES,
WASPS, AND ANTS!**

**HAVE INSECTS READY TO BE
PINNED? BRING THEM AND
LET'S PIN!**

TEEN LEADER: EMAM HAUPRICH

ADULT LEADER: TIFFANY BEASLEY



4-H FASHION AND INTERIOR DESIGN PROJECT

Monday, November 27th @6PM @ the Extension Office
RSVP Required
[Click Here to RSVP](#)

Please RSVP by Noon the day prior to the project meeting

Fashion and Interior Design

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

October Meeting

Thanks for coming to the October meeting! Everyone made cute tree pillows! Pillowcases are a great idea for a gift to give to family so keep sewing. If you weren't able to come in October I hope you can make it to the November meeting. We will be making Christmas ornaments.



REMEMBER TO RSVP FOR
THE NOVEMBER MEETING!.



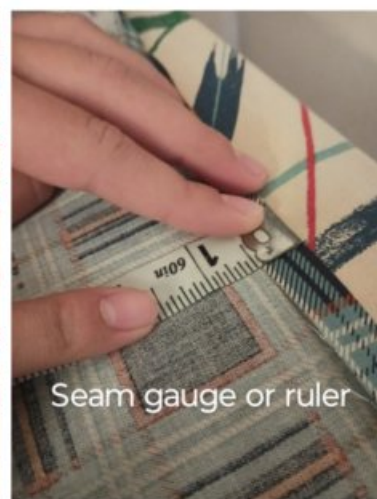


Hemming

At the October meeting we learned how to hem and everyone did a great job! It is very important to learn how to hem especially when you want to know how to make clothes.

Hemming makes sure that you have a nice, straight, clean line and it can help you if your item is too long. To help make sure your line is straight and neat use a seam gauge. This will help you measure your hem. Here is how we hemmed our fall tree pillow.

1. Fold down one of the longer edges of your fabric, wrong sides together, half an inch and iron down.
2. Fold down another half an inch and sew.
3. When finished you should have a neat line so that you won't see any fraying.



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always in fashion"*

PARKER CO.

2024

FASHION

SHOW

CATEGORIES

THERE WILL BE

MORE INFO TO COME



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Jolie robe d'après midi
en crepe mat.
Prix 330

4-H

JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION CATEGORIES

1. **Everyday Living** - Includes casual sportswear, weekend-wear, clothing for school, casual after-school events, or hanging out with friends.
2. **Refashion** - The result of modifying existing clothing into something more fashionable. The main purpose of Refashion is creativity, as well as sewing skills. The member designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used garments. The completed garment is different from its original use, not just an alteration. (For example, neckties sewn together to form a skirt or taking old t-shirts and making them into a skirt).
3. **Dressy to Formal** - Garments worn to dressy activities such as church, banquets, luncheons and 4-H interviews. Examples are children's suits and dressy dresses. Original material must be fabric and not from recycled items.
4. **Special Interest** - Limited to special purpose garments. Examples are band, pep squad and cheerleader uniforms; sleep wear; theatrical and circus-type costumes such as clown suits and ballet costumes; equestrian clothing and riding apparel; hiking clothing; or rock-climbing clothing. Garments in this category should not be suitable for ordinary activities.

JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION GUIDELINES

1. All garments must have been constructed during participation in a 4-H Clothing Project between June 2023 and the date of the District contest. Garments may be constructed by sewing, knitting, or crocheting using new or recycled material. Accessories such as belts, shoes, hosiery, gloves, jewelry, and hats may be purchased. Items not constructed by the participant will be considered accessories.
2. All garments worn may be entered. However, if a t-shirt needs to be worn underneath something then only the constructed garment would be judged. No additional garments may be carried with the exception of props (show stick, tennis racket, golf club, corsage, teddy bear, etc...)

JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE BUYING CATEGORIES

1. **Everyday Living** - Includes casual sportswear, weekend-wear, clothing for school, casual after-school events, or hanging out with friends.
2. **Fantastic Fashion Under \$25** - The \$25 challenge category is designed to expand the 4-H member's shopping experience to include different shopping venues. Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, Goodwill, Salvation Army, or retail store.
3. **Semi-Formal** - Entry must be designed for semi-formal to dressy occasions and made from fabrics intended for the same. This includes men's suits and women's dressy attire. Ensembles may be worn to activities such as concerts, banquets, and other nice events generally not worn during the Monday through Friday week.
4. **Special Interest** - Entry should be a specific outfit that you NEED to know how to purchase wisely. Entry should be something that reflects a special interest of the participant, such as equestrian clothing and riding apparel, dance costumes, hiking clothing, or rock climbing clothing.

JUNIOR/INTERMEDIATE BUYING GUIDELINES

1. All garments worn must have been purchased during participation in the 4-H Clothing Project between June 2022 and the date of the District Contest. If during comparison shopping, the 4-H member determines that paying a professional seamstress (at normal retail cost) to construct an ensemble is the best choice for purchasing a garment, he or she must list the cost of fabrics, patterns, notions, any other supplies and payment to the seamstress as the cost of the garment. Enter the appropriate information in the column headed "Garments Selected" on the Buying Division Worksheet. Information will be evaluated during judging so the worksheet must be complete. Adult judges will ask questions about the garment and the comparison shopping experience.
2. Comparison shopping may include department store, boutiques or specialty stores, mail order catalogs, internet sites, outlet stores, and professional seamstresses. Three different shopping sources must be used, not three sections of a single store.
3. All garments worn (garments that are visible-i.e., blouse under jacket or vest) during the interview process must be included in the buying worksheet.
4. The Junior Buying Division Worksheet must be completed. This is a simple one-page worksheet.

SENIOR CONSTRUCTION CATEGORIES

1. **Everyday Living** - Includes casual sportswear, weekend-wear, sleepwear, clothing for school, casual after- school events, or hanging out with friends.
2. **ReFashion** - The result of modifying existing clothing or fabric item (such as tablecloth or curtain) into something more fashionable. The main purpose of ReFashion is creativity, as well as sewing skills. The member designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used garments or fabric item. The completed garment is different from its original use, not just an alteration. (Examples: neck ties sewn together to form a skirt or taking old t-shirts and making them into a skirt).
3. **Semi-Formal to Formal** - Entry must be designed for semi-formal to formal occasions and made from fabrics intended for the same.
 - Semi-formal is a little less formal than formal black tie.
 - Women - - includes midi dresses, maxi-dresses, wrap dresses, cocktail dresses, pantsuits, and jumpsuits
 - Men - - includes slacks and a blazer, a two-piece suit (with or without a tie), accessories that show personal style (pocket squares, dress watch, custom shoes)
 - Formal - prom, evening wedding or gala party
 - Women - - typically floor-length gown, a knee-length cocktail dress or classic little black dress.
 - Men - - two or three-piece suit or tuxedo, with a shirt and tie.
4. **Theatre/Costume** - Garment intended for use as a costume, which would include stage production. May be sewn from fabric or from another garment. These garments may be unusual or innovative materials; imaginative but wearable.

SENIOR CONSTRUCTION GUIDELINES

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23-24 Sewing Projects

Enjoy life while you're still young!



September- Hair clips, which we will be donating to Operation Christmas Child.

October- We will be sewing fall tree pillow cases.

November- We will be make some ornaments that would be great for Christmas gifts or to hang on your tree.

December- (No meeting)

January- We will be making Valentines Day handwarmers to keep you warm in the cold winter.

February- Parker County Fashion Show!

March- Duds to Dazzle practice.

April- For the last meeting we will be making a lip balm holder that would be great for teacher gifts!

*All year long we will be working on reading a pattern and individual projects



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4-H FOOD AND NUTRITION PROJECT

MEETINGS AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE
(CLICK THE MEETING TO RSVP)

RSVP IS REQUIRED

- \$5 will be collected from each participant to cover the cost of supplies when you sign up
- Sign-up will close the Monday before the meeting by Noon
- We will not be able to offer refunds so don't sign up unless you know for sure you can attend
- Click the date of the meeting you'd like to sign up

[Thursday, November 16th - Clovers and 4-H'ers 6PM](#)

[Thursday, December 7th - Clovers and 4-H'ers 6PM](#)

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4-H AG

PRODUCT ID

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Perfect Pairings for

Pears



Fruits & Vegetables

Apple, Apricot, Arugula, Banana, Blackberry, Blueberry, Celery, Cranberry, Cherry, Date, Fennel, Fig, Onions, Orange, Plums, Pomegranate, Radish, Raspberry, Shallot, Spinach, Squash, Strawberry

Protein & Dairy

Blue Cheese, Brie, Cream, Feta, Goat Cheese, Ham, Mascarpone, Parmesan, Pork, Prosciutto, Ricotta, Sour Cream, Turkey, Yogurt

Herbs & Spices

Allspice, Anise, Chives, Cinnamon, Ginger, Mint, Nutmeg, Rosemary, Tarragon, Thyme

Other

Almonds, Caramel, Chocolate, Honey, Maple Syrup, Pistachio, Walnuts, Vanilla

PEARS

Known for its beautiful shape and colors of green, yellow, and brownish pink, this juicy and gritty flesh fruit is more than just delicious!

Lovely on their own, but pears also pair perfectly with many flavorful foods.

COMMON TYPES OF PEARS

Bartlett

Sweet, Juicy & Soft
Great for: Cooking & Salads



Bosc

Sweet, with flavors of Honey & Spice
Great for: Baking



Concorde

Sweet, Crisp & Firm
Great for: Baking



Red D'Anjou

Very Sweet & both Firm & Soft
Great for: Salads



Pears

1 medium sized pear contains...

101 calories & 27 g of Carbs

6 g of fiber, about 21% of your daily needs

small amounts of folate & niacin

9% of your daily Vit C needs



c. healthy





Pear and Pomegranate Crumble

OCTOBER 11, 2023 BY DINNER TONIGHT

Enjoy a cozy and warm homemade dessert with flavorful fall spices and fruits.

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F and coat an 8X8 square baking pan with nonstick cooking spray.
2. In a medium bowl, combine cubed pears, pomegranate seeds, orange juice, vanilla, cornstarch, nutmeg, and only 1 tsp of cinnamon.
3. In another bowl, mix 1 tsp of cinnamon, oats, and flour. Pour over honey and melted butter. Combine well.
4. Evenly spread fruit mixture into prepared pan and distribute flour mixture on top.
5. Bake for 35-40 minutes, or until the crumble looks golden.
6. Let cool so juices can thicken before serving.

Ingredients

- 3 cups pears peeled and cubed
- 1 cup fresh pomegranate aril seeds
- 1/4 cup 100% orange juice
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 2 Tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 3/4 cup old fashioned oats
- 1/4 cup flour
- 2 Tablespoons honey
- 2 Tablepoons unsalted butter melted

Servings: 9 1/2 cup servings

Nutrition Facts	
9 servings per container	
Serving size	1/2 cup (101g)
Amount per serving	
Calories	140
	% Daily Value*
Total Fat 3.5g	4%
Saturated Fat 2g	10%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 5mg	2%
Sodium 0mg	0%
Total Carbohydrate 26g	9%
Dietary Fiber 4g	14%
Total Sugars 13g	
Includes 4g Added Sugars	8%
Protein 2g	
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Calcium 18mg	2%
Iron 1mg	6%
Potassium 128mg	2%
*The % Daily Value tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,500 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.	

KAYLA'S CRANBERRY SAUCE

YOU'LL NEVER EAT IT FROM A CAN
AGAIN...

Ingredients:

- 1 Bag Fresh Cranberries
- 1 Cup Orange Juice (I like the mango/orange flavor with this)
- 1 Cup Brown Sugar

That's It!!!

Directions:

1. Combine all ingredients in a medium saucepan.
2. Heat on Med heat until the majority of the cranberries have popped.





4-H HORSE PROJECT

PARKER CO. 4-H MOUNTED HORSE PROJECT MEETINGS

- Must provide your own horse
- Participants must be 8 and in the 3rd grade
- Must be currently enrolled in Parker Co. 4-H

RSVP IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE ADDRESS

Current Proof of Negative Coggins is Required at Every Meeting

Novice Horse Project Meetings: For youth new to horse project, limited riding experience, and have never competed in a horse show.

Advanced Horse Project Meetings: For youth that have experience in horse competition settings and have shown, can comfortably lope/canter and can consistently identify and pick up the correct lead.

Important Dates

Novice Horse Project Meetings - [Click to RSVP for November](#)

- November 14th @6PM @ the Extension Office

Advanced Horse Project Meetings - [Click to RSVP for November](#)

- November 7th @6PM - (RSVP Required)
- November 14th @ 6PM - (RSVP Required)
- November 28th @ 6PM - (RSVP Required)

- April 1 - Horse Validation Deadline for Parker County 4-H Horse Show
- April 20 - Parker County 4-H Horse Show



4-H LIVESTOCK

- **November 1st** - Quality Counts Renewal if 4-H'er has entered 6th or 9th grade
- **November 7th** - ALL 2024 spring Major Stock Show entries due to the Extension office
- **November 13th** - D3 4-H D3 4-H Livestock Skill - A - Thon Registration Deadline
- **November 13th** - D3 4-H Ag Product ID Registration Deadline
- **December 2nd** - Weatherford Showdown Showmanship Clinic
- **December 7th** - D3 4-H Livestock Skill - A - Thon Contest
- **December 7th** - D3 4-H Ag Product ID Contest

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Livestock Skill-A-Thon Study

Guide: [Click HERE](#)

Procedures

1. Livestock Equipment Identification: (100 points) Identify the proper name for twenty-five pieces of equipment used in livestock production.
2. Livestock Breed Identification: (100 points) Identify from the photographs or pictures, twenty livestock (beef, swine, sheep, and goat) breeds.
3. Feedstuff Identification: (50 points) Identify ten feedstuffs by the proper name.
4. Meat Judging Class: (50 points) Rank a class of four similar retail cuts of
5. Wool Judging Class: (50 points) Rank a class of four similar fleeces of
6. Feed Tag Knowledge: (50 points) With a provided feed tag, read and analyze the information and answer 5 questions regarding the information.
7. Quality Assurance: (50 points) With a provided medicine label, and livestock scenario, answer 10 questions regarding label use, withdrawal times, and proper injection location.
8. Retail Meat ID: (50 points) Identify beef, lamb, and pork retail cuts from the National 4-H Meat Judging Retail ID List. Contestants will identify the retail cut specie, primal cut, and retail cut name.
9. Hay Judging Class: Rank a class of four samples of hay based upon a
10. Industry Quiz: Complete a 30-question multiple choice quiz concerning the total livestock industry. Resource will be the Texas FFA quiz bank.
11. Tie Breaker. In the case of ties, the scores from the judging classes will be used to break the tie for juniors and intermediates, and the score from the 10-item retail I.D. will be used to break ties for the The Livestock Skillathon Committee will resolve any emerging contest issues.

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WEATHERFORD SHOWDOWN SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC



Hosted by : The Friends
of Weatherford FFA

Education on
Daily Care, Nutrition,
Feeding, Health &
Showmanship

Showmanship Clinicians
Ernie Dominguez- Cattle
Kasey Klages-Lambs/Goats

CLINIC INFO:

SESSION 1:

Lambs/Goats 8AM-12PM

SESSION 2:

Cattle 1PM-5PM

✉ friendsofweatherford@gmail.com

☎ 817-601-1332

**BUCKLES,
AWARDS,
& PRIZES**

**Saturday
DECEMBER 2, 2023**

4H Youth Center
2752 TinTop Rd.
Weatherford TX

- ONE ANIMAL PER EXHIBITOR
- SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST FOLLOWING CLINIC

\$50

Pre-Register by
Nov 18th

**LIMITED SPOTS
AVAILABLE**

\$15 to attend without animal



Registration
QR code



4-H STEM PROJECT

Monday, November 20th @6PM @ the Extension Office

[Click Here to RSVP for November](#)

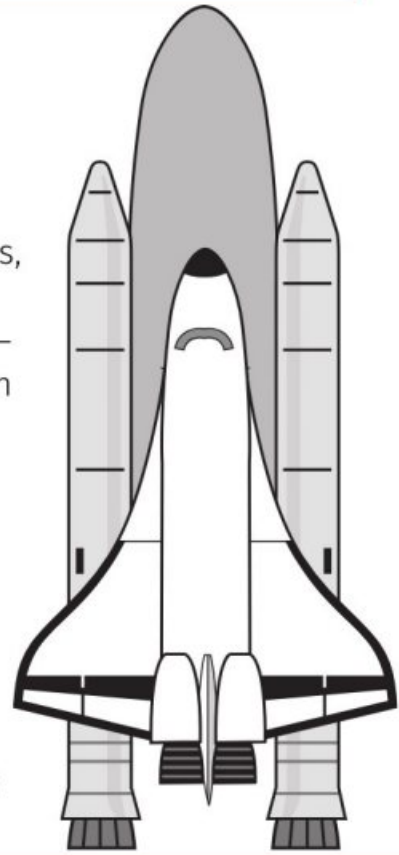
Please RSVP by Noon the day before the meeting
for planning purposes.

STEM NEWSLETTER

BY: FINLEY VAN DYK

What is Rocketry?

Rockets, also called launch vehicles, play an important role in our lives. Rockets deliver satellites to space where they can begin to do their important work. Without rockets, we wouldn't be able to use our cell phones, watch a lot of our favorite television shows, find out the weather forecast, navigate with Global Positioning System (GPS), or explore our solar system—just to name a few. Here's how it works—at liftoff the rocket's powerful main engine starts and produces thrust. Thrust accelerates the rocket, with its payload, away from the launch pad. A typical rocket produces more than a million pounds of thrust that allows it to carry more than 6,000 pounds at speeds topping 22,000 miles per hour. This is equivalent to the power generated by 13 Hoover Dams, carrying the weight of eight horses, and traveling at speeds 15 times faster than a speeding bullet! After leaving Earth's atmosphere, the launch vehicle delivers its payload to the desired orbit or on its desired trajectory. Once properly placed, the payload can begin to do the work that makes all of our lives easier, more fun, and helps us to learn more about our planet, our solar system, and our universe.



WHAT CAREERS CAN I HAVE IN ROCKETRY?

In the Rocketry field, you can have the career of Propulsion Engineer, Rocket System Repairer, Rocket Laboratory Technician, System Engineer, Aerospace Engineer, Solid Rocket Propulsion Engineer, Test Operations Electrical Technician, and many more!

Upcoming Meetings!

The next STEM meeting we will have is November 20th at 6PM at the 4-H County Extension Office! The topic of the meeting is Rocketry. Please RSVP!



4-H CLUB NEWS

Join the Club

November

Aledo 4-H Newsletter



This month's officer report is on Evie Banis!

Evelyn Banis is a sophomore at Aledo High School. Besides being our Parliamentarian, she is also involved in shooting sports, scouts, and FFA. She enjoys camping, hanging out with friends, and running. 4-H has provided opportunities for her to compete in competitions and leadership roles.

Upcoming Dates

Our next meeting is November 13th, Clovers start at 6:30 PM and the general meeting begins at 7 PM.

Don't forget to bring your dog and cat food donations to our Don't Forget to Feed Pet Food Drive at our next meeting!

Our fundraiser, Braided Breads, is still going through November 13th, make sure to set up your seller account and for orders before the deadline!

The next STEM project meeting is on November 20th, at the County Extension Office! Our topic is Rocketry, so make sure to RSVP!

If anyone in the Aledo 4-H Club needs help getting ready for a rabbit show, or just wants information on rabbits contact me at finleyvandyk07@gmail.com.



PEASTER 4-H NEWSLETTER



October 28, 2023

Club Meeting

Peaster 4-H Friendsgiving
Monday Nov. 13th

6:00 - 7:30 pm

- Peaster Elementary Cafeteria
- Sign up genius is posted on Facebook. Please sign up for the first item "RSVP" and indicate the # attending from your family so we can ensure we have enough food and supplies.
- We plan to eat nachos & kids will participate in activity stations creating friendship bracelets, key chains and wrap presents for senior citizens.
- Donate rolls of wrapping paper for presents and door decorating at the nursing home in December.

Accomplishments

On October 8th, Peaster 4-H kids painted pumpkins, played games and brought goodies to the kids at the Pythian home.

Community Service

Door Decorating & Caroling

Saturday Dec. 2nd 9:30 - 11:30 am

- Keeneland Nursing & Rehabilitation
700 S Bowie Dr.
- Bring wrapping paper donations to the November Club Meeting.
- Must be 3rd Grade or older & they will take your temperature before volunteering. Please do not attend if you are feeling ill.
- Lead: Brooke & Martha Kingston

Stock the Hound Pound

Saturday Dec. 9th 2:00 - 7:00 pm

- Stock Food Donations received at the Peaster Christmas Market
- Lead: Luke & Traci Hamlin

Community Bingo Night

Tuesday Dec. 12th 6:00 - 8:00 pm

- Community Bingo Night
- Raise money for winter coats/clothes.
- Need prize donations.
- Lead: Katy McLeod & Traci Hamlin

Sign up sheets will be posted on Facebook if you want to participate in the November and December club meetings and community service events.

SPRINGTOWN 4-H

MEETING INFO

NOVEMBER 7, 2023

-STEM: 5:30PM

-CLOVER KIDS: 6:30PM

REGULAR MEETING: 7PM

CLUB MEETING MEAL

NACHO DINNER
\$5 PER PLATE
TO INCLUDE COOKIE AND
DRINK

RSVP WITH QR CODE



REMINDER!

Club Tshirt
Orders Due

COMMUNITY SERVICE

TURKEY DELIVERIES TO
THOSE IN NEED
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21
(PLEASE WATCH EMAIL
FOR MORE INFO)



Happy Thanksgiving from Shooting Sports

We hosted our annual Bustin' Pumpkins Sporting Clays Shoot in October!
We hosted 109 shooters making up 22 teams! Our largest shoot to date!

We have closed registration till next fall.

This month we will host a volunteer day at Weatherford Animal Shelter on Nov 4th.

We will only have one meeting this month on Nov 12th.
Please RSVP through the link sent to members emails

WEATHERFORD DAY



October Community Service: Dog Treats

Our club made dog treats to give to people at the local dog park. We asked for donations be made to the Weatherford Animal Shelter for their goal of spaying/neutering 100 cats/dogs for free each month for the next year. We met up on Friday, October 13th, to bake the dog treats and on Saturday, October 14th, met at the dog park.

The Weatherford Day Club is giving the money from the dog treats, along with \$100, to the Weatherford Animal Shelter.



October Meeting

Thank you to [Katelyn Vermillion](#) and [Stella Bartek](#) for doing our pledges for us this month! And a very special thank you to those who brought painted and carved pumpkins for our pumpkin contest. In the above pictures, the chicken (Micah Parsons) was the winner of the carved category, while the pink pig (Kimber Vermillion) was the winner of the painted category

Our club had a fantastic Officer, Mrs. Tina Maxwell, come speak about Halloween safety on behalf of the Weatherford PD.



WEATHERFORD DAY MEMBERS WITH MRS. TINA MAXWELL

November Meeting & Community Service

Our next meeting will be **November 16th**. We will meet at the Parker County Extension Office @ **2:00** for the clovers and **2:30** for the 4-Hers. We are having someone from **Journey Farms Pumpkin Patch** come speak about growing pumpkins.

For November's community service project, the club will be coloring Christmas cards to give to active military. Also, feel free to bring handmade or store-bought Christmas cards, not sealed, to our November meeting.

*We will also be doing a "fund-raiser" for the club: pumpkin flavored food (sacks, desserts, appetizers). *Each entry will be \$1. *Items will be judged and winners announced at the end of the meeting



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