



4-H Newsletter

TISHOMINGO COUNTY

FEBRUARY 2020

Text Notification Reminders

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Upcoming Events: Leadership Class

We will begin a leadership class for senior 4-H members (ages 14-18 as of January 1 of current year) on Monday, February 3 at 4 PM. All 4-H members interested in becoming a 4-H ambassador or state officer should attend. All senior 4-H members are welcome to come!

Craft Club

The craft club meeting will be held on Thursday, February 6 at 4 PM at the Extension Office.

Cooking Club

Our next cooking club meeting will be on Monday, February 10 at 4 PM at the Extension Office.

Dog Club

The Dog Club meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 11 at 5:30 PM at Blue Springs Park Community Building in Belmont.

Cloverbud Club

The Cloverbud Club meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 19 at 4 PM at the Extension Office.

Sewing Club

Our next sewing club meeting will be on Monday, February 24 at 3:30 PM at the Extension Office.

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PLEASE BE SURE TO READ YOUR NEWSLETTERS AND LET US KNOW WHICH ACTIVITIES YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN.

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Record Books

The 4-H record allows 4-H members the opportunity to set goals and keep records on the progress made toward reaching those goals. The record book also allows the 4-H member to record losses, profits, and other helpful information about their 4-H project work. Now is a good time to start working on your record book if you choose to complete one. The record books are worth many points on the standard of excellence application. **All record books (except Club) will be due in our office June 15.** If you would like to go ahead and start, feel free to contact us to receive your form.

Poultry Chain

It is once again time to begin preparing for our 2020 4-H Poultry Chain Project. To participate in the poultry chain project, youth will need to be 4-H members between the ages of 5-18 and have the ability to care for his/her chickens. For this project we will order 25 baby chicks for each individual who is signed up to participate. You must come pick up your baby chicks on the day they arrive. You will raise and care for these chicks over a span of six months and then bring 10 of the pullets to the county fair to be exhibited, judged, and auctioned off to the highest bidder. The money raised from the auction will cover the cost of those chicks ordered for that year as well as help fund the chicks to be purchased the following year. The remaining pullets that you raise are yours to keep! This is an excellent learning project as well as a project that families can enjoy together. The breeds for this year's project have not been selected yet, but any 4-H member who would like to participate should contact our office at 662-423-7016 for more information.

4-H S.A.F.E.T.Y. Program

We had a great turnout at our 4-H S.A.F.E.T.Y. meeting on January 25! We are looking forward to a year full of learning safe and responsible usage of firearms and archery equipment through shooting related activities, developing character, and promoting sportsmanship all while having fun doing it! We appreciate 4-H volunteer and S.A.F.E.T.Y. Instructor Brandon Grissom for teaching our 4-H members about firearm safety! Youth who were unable to attend this morning and would like to participate in the 4-H S.A.F.E.T.Y. Program please contact our office at 662-423-7016. All S.A.F.E.T.Y. discipline practice schedules will be sent out via Remind Messages and posted on the 4-H County Facebook Page.

4-H S.A.F.E.T.Y Program Competition Dates:

- Tri-County Invitational – Saturday, March 21 – Glen, MS
- Lowndes County Invitational – Saturday, March 28 – Columbus, MS
- NE District Competition – Saturday, April 25 – West Point & Starkville, MS
- State Invitational – Friday, July 17 & Saturday, July 18 – West Point & Starkville, MS

County Contests

It is time again to conduct our county contests. Any 4-H member who is 8-13 as of January 1, 2020 may participate in the 2020 Project Achievement Day to be held June 5 at the Northeast Mississippi Research & Extension Center in Verona. Any 4-H member who is 14-18 as of January 1, 2020 may compete at Club Congress to be held May 27-29 at MSU in Starkville. **You MUST participate in at least one county contest (not including poster contests or the photography exhibit contest) in order to participate in Project Achievement Day or Club Congress.** We will also have contests that 5-7 year olds may participate in at the county level; however, these individuals are not eligible to participate in Project Achievement Day due to their age. A separate list of contests has been provided for them to choose from. All 8 and 9 year olds will also have some available contests to compete in at the county level, but will only be eligible to compete in the Cloverleaf Exhibit at Project Achievement Day.

Enclosed is a general list of the contests available. Please be thinking about what contests you might be interested in and let us know by February 28. You may compete in a maximum of THREE county contests. These three contests do not include the Photography Exhibit Contest, Poster Art Contest, or Dairy Poster Contest. You are welcome to email this information to tishomin@ext.msstate.edu or call the office at 423-7016. After March 1st, we will send out a list of contest dates to those who have contacted us. If you do not receive this information by March 15 then you need to contact us immediately.

PLEASE if you have any questions, just give us a call. We look forward to hearing about what contest(s) you plan to participate in!

For information on specific contests please visit

<http://extension.msstate.edu/content/4-h-project-awards-recognition-handbook>

Click on the 4-H PROJECT AWARDS & RECOGNITION HANDBOOK—2019

Horse Information

Winter Classic Horse Show Schedule

February 8 – Chickasaw County Agri Center

February 29 – NMREC-Verona Agri Center

March 7 – Pontotoc County Agri Center

March 21 – Union County Arena

You must show in FOUR shows to be eligible for high point awards. Check out their Facebook page:
4-H Winter Classic Horse Show.

District and State 4-H Horse Show

For anyone that plans to show horses in the 2020 District and State Horse Shows, please remember that the ownership deadline for registered and grade horses is May 1. We will send out show dates and schedules as soon as they are available.

Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leader's Annual Conference

February 21-22, 2020 @ MSU

The Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Annual Conference will be held February 21 – 22, 2020 in the Bost Extension Conference Center. The conference will begin with registration at 3:00 p.m. Friday, and conclude Saturday by 4:00 p.m. The conference will provide an excellent opportunity for 4-H volunteers, Extension faculty and friends of 4-H to participate in outstanding experiential learning activities, workshops, great fellowship, and enlightening entertainment. The theme this year is "**4-H It's What We Do**". We encourage all 4-H volunteers to participate in this event. Please contact our office if you are interested in attending. The deadline to register is **February 7**.

Scholarships

Anyone interested in applying for scholarships may now do so. All of the 4-H Scholarship applications may be found online on the MSU Extension website. The link for the scholarships forms is:
<http://extension.msstate.edu/scholarships-for-4-h>.

Each scholarship has its own requirements, so be sure to check the requirements for each one. An application must be submitted for each different scholarship and all applications **MUST BE TYPED!** There must be three copies of each application and one copy of the official transcript. All applications are due in our office **NO LATER** than 5:00 PM on March 20.

MORE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Mississippi Homemaker Volunteers also offer the Marilyn Purdie Endowment Scholarship, the Mississippi Homemaker Volunteer Endowment Scholarship, and the Powell-Gray 4-H Scholarship. Each of these scholarships also have distinct qualifications and guidelines that are different for each one. Please contact our office for the applications. The deadline for these applications to be returned to our office is **NO LATER** than 5:00 PM on March 22.

Photo-Video Safari

March 7-10, 2020

The Safari is open to 4-H'ers ages 14-18. Tentative plans include travel to the Dentzel Carousel, Mississippi Arts and Entertainment Experience, Dunn's Falls, Hattiesburg Zoo, and Landrum Homestead. Participants will need a DSLR camera and a smartphone. 4-H members and chaperones will stay in cabins at Clarkco State Park in Quitman. The registration fee is \$200 and includes insurance, transportation, lodging, tour fees, and most meals. Please contact our office at 423-7016 if you are interested in registering. The registration deadline is February 21.

Local FFA and 4-H Members Compete at NE District Livestock Show

The Northeast District Livestock Show was held at the Agri-center of the MSU North Mississippi Research and Extension Center on January 18 in Verona, Mississippi. There were several different livestock species exhibited at the district show that included commercial beef cattle, beef breeding cattle, market hogs, market lambs, dairy cattle, market goats, and dairy goats. All animals that are exhibited at the District Show must be conditioned properly and receive a blue ribbon to advance to the Dixie National Junior Round-Up in Jackson, MS during the first week of February. Tishomingo County 4-H and FFA members participated in the commercial and beef breeding cattle shows at the district livestock show.

- Charli Beth Sheffield placed third in the Hereford junior heifer calf class and placed sixth in eight and nine-year-old showmanship.
- Hayden Taylor placed second in the Hereford late senior heifer calf class.
- Noah Sheffield received champion in the ten and eleven-year-old showmanship, fifth place in the Hereford junior heifer calf class, and first place in the Hereford winter bull calf class.
- Bryson Knauer placed fifth in the Hereford junior heifer calf class.
- Bryson Taylor placed fifth in sixteen through eighteen-year-old showmanship, first place in the Hereford late senior heifer calf class, second place in the Hereford late senior bull calf class, and received Reserve Champion Hereford bull.
- Cela-Cathryn Taylor placed fourth in the ten and eleven year old showmanship class and fourth place in the Angus early junior yearling heifer class.
- Claire-Mann Taylor placed fourth in the fourteen to fifteen year old showmanship class, ninth place in the Angus junior heifer calf class, and sixth in the Angus junior heifer calf class.
- Ty Nunley placed first in the Angus early summer heifer calf and fourth place in the Angus winter heifer calf class.
- Cheyenne Hughes placed third in the sixteen to eighteen year old showmanship class, first place in her class of English cross commercial heifers, received Champion English and English Cross Commercial Heifer, first place in her class of European cross commercial heifers, and received Reserve Champion European Cross Commercial Heifer. Cheyenne's English cross commercial heifer was also named the overall Grand Champion Commercial Heifer.

Best of luck to these 4-H and FFA members as they compete at the Dixie National Jr. Round Up in Jackson, MS.

February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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				Dixie National		
2	3 Senior 4-H Leadership Class 4 PM @ Extension Office	4	5	6 Craft Club 4 PM @ Extension Of- fice	7	8 Winter Classic Horse Show @ Chickasaw Coun- ty
9	10 Cooking Club 4 PM @ Extension Office	11 Dog Club 5:30 PM @ Blue Springs Park Community Bldg.	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Cloverbud Meeting 4 PM @ Extension Office	20	21	22
23	24 Sewing Club 3:30 PM @ Exten- sion Office	25	26	27	28	29 Winter Clas- sic Horse Show @ NMREC

List of Contests for County, Project Achievement Day, and Club Congress

Contests for Ages 5-7

Poster Contest
Photography Contest
Dairy Poster

Contests for Ages 8 and 9

Poster Contest Cloverleaf Exhibits
Dairy Poster Photography Contest

Contests for Ages 10-13

Dairy Poster	
Poster Art	
Photography Exhibits	Food and Nutrition
Insect Collection	Forestry Judging
Public Speaking I & II	Interior Design
Bicycle Contest	Horticulture
Share the Fun (Talent Contest)	Insect ID
Child Development	Poultry Judging
Clothing Construction	Robotics
Clothing Selection	Seed ID and Quality
Consumer Judging	Wildlife Judging
Dairy Products Judging	
Electric Judging	
Photography Judging	

Visual Presentations

Beef, Sheep, Swine, & Meat Goat
Child Development
Clothing
Computer
Conservation (includes Forestry, Wildlife, Conservation of Soil and Water)
Consumer Education
Dairy Animal/ Dairy Foods
Engineering (Bicycle, Petroleum Power, Safety, & Electric)
Entomology
Food Nutrition
Gardening and Horticulture
Health
Other Projects
Personal Development
Photography
Plant and Soil Science
Veterinary Science & Pet Care

Contests for Ages 14-18

Dairy Poster	Photography Exhibits
Poster Art	Insect Collection
Public Speaking I & II	Interior Design
Bicycle Contest	Horticulture Judging
Share the Fun (Talent Contest)	Insect ID
Automotive Driving	Livestock Bowl
Career Pursuit	Meats Judging
Child Development	Nutrition Extreme
Citizenship Bowl	Photography
Clothing Construction	Poultry Judging
Clothing Selection	Poultry/Egg Preparation
Compact Tractor	PowerPoint Presentation
Computer	Robotics
Consumer Judging	Small Engines
Dairy Bowl (Team Only)	Seed ID and Quality
Dairy Products Judging	Tractor Driving
Forestry Judging	Welding
Mississippi Cookout	

Visual Presentations

Beef
Sheep, Swine, & Meat Goat
Clothing
Conservation (Forestry, Wildlife, Soil & Water Conservation)
Consumer Education
Dairy Animal/ Dairy Foods
Engineering (Bicycle, Petroleum Power, Safety, & Electric)
Entomology
Food and Nutrition
Gardening and Horticulture
Health
Other Projects
Personal Development
Plant and Soil Science
Photography

NOTE:

- If the contest says TRACK beside it then it is an all-day contest at Club Congress.
- Also, if you have any questions about this information, would like to know more about a contest, or if you would like study information pertaining to a contest earlier, please just let us know!
- Please remember the February 28 deadline to get your list of contests to us.

Cooking Club Recipes

One-Dish Rice & Black-Eyed Peas

Ingredients

- 4 slices turkey bacon
- 1 cup onion, chopped
- 2 cups instant rice
- 1 (10 oz.) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed, drained
- 1 (14.5 oz.) can chicken or vegetable broth
- 1 (15.5 oz.) can black-eyed peas, drained and rinsed
- 2 ounces (1/2 cup) shredded cheddar cheese

Directions

1. Cook bacon in 12" nonstick skillet over medium heat, stirring occasionally, 3-5 minutes or until crisp. Drain.
2. Add rice, spinach, and broth to same skillet. Cover; continue cooking 4-6 minutes or until rice is tender and liquid is absorbed.
3. Stir in peas. Continue cooking, stirring occasionally, until heated through.
4. Sprinkle with cheese and serve.

Granny's Fried Cornbread

Ingredients

- 2 cups cornmeal
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup self-rising flour
- 1 cup water
- 1/4 cup cooking oil
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- 1 egg

Directions

1. Gently stir all ingredients together in a mixing bowl.
2. Drop batter with a large spoon onto a hot, well greased griddle.
3. Cook as you would for pancakes, turning to brown both sides.
4. Serve with butter if desired.

Black and White Treat

Ingredients

Crust:

- 18 oz. chocolate sandwich cookies
- 1 (8 oz.) block cream cheese, softened

Filling:

- 1 (8 oz.) block cream cheese, softened
- 1 jar marshmallow fluff
- 1 tub (8 oz.) whipped topping

Directions

1. For crust, grind cookies to fine crumbs. Mix in a block of cream cheese until you have a thick dough. Place a spoonful of dough into a clear punch cup.
2. For filling: Beat cream cheese and marshmallow fluff until creamy and smooth. Add whipped topping. Beat to combine.
3. Spoon cheese filling on top of cookie crust. Freeze for an hour or enjoy immediately for a softer treat.



