



4-H Newsletter

TISHOMINGO COUNTY

MARCH 2020

County Contests

Just a reminder to everyone that it's time to sign up for County Contests. Any 4-H member may participate. 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 State 4-H 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. You may compete in a maximum of **THREE** county contests; however, you must let us know by **March 31** so that we can prepare. These three contests do not include the Photography Exhibit contest, Poster Art contest, or Dairy Poster contest. You are welcome to email us at tishomin@ext.msstate.edu or to call our office to let us know which contests you plan to participate in. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call us at 423-7016. A list of the available contests is included in this newsletter.

For information on specific contests please visit https://extension.msstate.edu/sites/default/files/pdf/project_handbook_2019.pdf

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

Text Notification Reminders

To sign up to receive reminders about upcoming events, text **@tishco4-h** (in the message area) to **81010** (in the recipient box).

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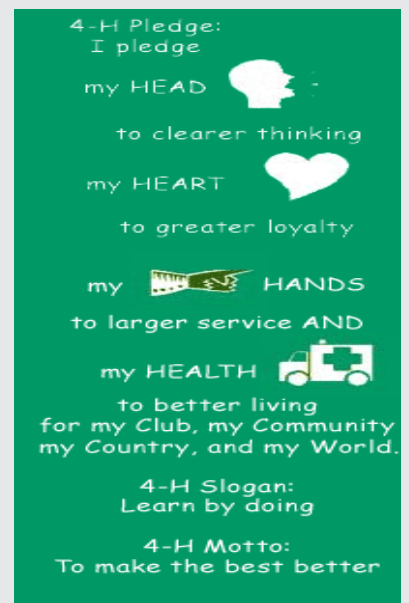
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PLEASE BE SURE TO READ YOUR NEWSLETTERS AND LET US KNOW WHICH ACTIVITIES YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN.

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Northeast S.A.F.E.T.Y. Invitational

The Northeast S.A.F.E.T.Y. Invitational will be **Saturday, March 21**, at CRSSA Range in Glen. Equipment safety checks begin at 7:30 AM. The following disciplines will be offered: .22 pistol, .22 rifle, air pistol, air rifle, archery, and shotgun. Youth may choose two disciplines to participate in. There is an \$8.00 fee for each discipline.

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

- 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

S.A.F.E.T.Y. Practices

Please check with the instructors and/or check the Tishomingo County 4-H Facebook page for updates about practice. Practice times will also be sent out via Remind text messages.

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 20.

Dixie National

The Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Show was held in Jackson, Mississippi at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds January 30—February 6. Dairy goats, dairy cattle, beef cattle, market goats, market lambs, market steers, and market hogs were all exhibited at each show. From Tishomingo County, Charli-Beth Sheffield, Noah Sheffield, Hayden Taylor, Bryson Taylor, Bryson Knauer, Claire-Mann Taylor, Cela-Cathryn Taylor, and Ty Nunley participated in the beef cattle show. Congratulations to all of the participants!

Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Annual Conference

The Mississippi 4-H Volunteer Leaders' Annual Conference was held February 21 – 22 in the Bost Extension Conference Center at Mississippi State University. The theme this year was "**4-H It's What We Do**". From Tishomingo County, Ms. Chris Holland attended the conference. We appreciate Ms. Chris for representing our county!

2020 State 4-H Congress

If you were ages 14-18 as of January 1 of this year, you are eligible to participate at State 4-H Congress, where members will participate in contests at the state level. Along with contests, there are workshops, assemblies, and a dance. This event will be held May 27-29 at the MSU Campus. Participants will stay in a hotel near campus, and Mr. Zach and Mrs. Emily will be chaperones. All fees to participate are paid by the county. **You must compete in a county contest to be eligible to attend.** If you are interested in attending, please let our office know so we can have a rough estimate of how many will be going. **Registration will open on April 1 and close on May 1.** If you have any questions, please feel free to call us. This is a fun event, and we hope you will consider going!

Upcoming Events:

Leadership Class

The Leadership Class for **senior 4-H members** (ages 14-18 as of January 1 of current year) will be on **Monday, March 2 at 4 PM** at the **Extension Office**.

Craft Club

The Craft Club meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 4 at 4 PM** at the **Extension Office**.

Cooking Club

Our next Cooking Club meeting will be on **Monday, March 9 at 4 PM** at the **Extension Office**.

Dog Club

The Dog Club meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 10 at 5:30 PM** at **Blue Springs Park Community Building** in Belmont.

Cloverbud Club

The Cloverbud Club meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 18 at 4 PM** at the **Extension Office**.

Sewing Club

Our next Sewing Club meeting will be on **Monday, March 23 at 3:30 PM** at the **Extension Office**.

Remaining Winter Classic Horse Shows

March 7 – Pontotoc County Agri Center

March 21 – Union County Arena

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 the chicks ordered for this year as well as help fund the chicks to be purchased next 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 deadline to sign up is Monday, March 16.** The breeds that will be available this year are **Rhode Island Red, Cinnamon Queen, Barred Rock, and Black Laced Golden Wyandotte.** If you have any questions, please call our office at 423-7016.





March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Senior 4-H Leadership Class 4 PM @ Extension Office	3	4 Craft Club 4 PM @ Extension Office	5	6	7 Winter Classic @ Pontotoc
8	9 Cooking Club 4 PM @ Extension Office	10 Dog Club Meeting 5:30 PM @ Blue Springs Park	11	12	13	14
15	16 Deadline to sign up for Poultry Chain	17	18 Cloverbud Club 4 PM @ Extension Office	19	20	21 Northeast SAFETY Invitational @ Glen Winter Classic @ Union County
22	23 Sewing Club 3:30 PM @ Extension Office	24	25	26	27	28 Lowndes County Invitational
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List of Contests for County, Project Achievement Day, and Club Congress

Contests for Ages 5-7	Contests for Ages 8 and 9
Poster Contest Photography Contest Dairy Poster	Poster Contest Cloverleaf Exhibits Dairy Poster Photography Contest
Contests for Ages 10-13	Contests for Ages 14-18
Dairy Poster Poster Art Photography Exhibits Insect Collection Public Speaking I & II Bicycle Contest Share the Fun (Talent Contest) Child Development Clothing Construction Clothing Selection Consumer Judging Dairy Products Judging Electric Judging Photography Judging	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
<u>Visual Presentations</u>	<u>Visual Presentations</u>
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	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 March 31 deadline to get your list of contests to us.



