

I pledge my head to clearer thinking,
 my heart to greater loyalty,
 my hands to larger service,
 and my health to better living,
 for my club,
 my community,
 my country,
 and my world!

The 4-H Green Gazette

Washington Parish 4-H
 Monthly Newsletter

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Welcome Back 4-Her's

Hey 4-Hers!

Mrs. Emily and Mrs. Lacey want to take this opportunity to welcome you back to what we hope is going to be a great year! We have many great things planned for all of you 4-H members out there and we want YOU to be there! Be sure to look in future newsletters to keep updated on the parish, regional, and state event opportunities! Be sure to keep up with your record book and your project book throughout the year to secure your place at this years Achievement Day! Good luck in school and everything else that you do this year.

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DO YOU WANT TO JOIN 4-H?

4-H is not just "Cookin' and Cows"! If you are between the ages of 9-19 then you can join one of the greatest youth organization in the world! 4-H is a great opportunity for youth to develop knowledge, leadership, and life skills. We have many different projects to suit any interest! Joining is simple! Fill out an enrollment card and return it to your



The Summer of 4-H!

4-H doesn't just happen during the school year! There are many events and contest that take place during the summer months! Here are some 4-Hers who excelled during the "off-season"

State Record Book Winners

Brandt Stevens, Mt. Hermon, Jr. Wildlife Trip Winner

Madison Stevens, Mt. Hermon, Jr. Wildlife Trip Winner

Clint Stogner, PHS-State Winner—SET Records

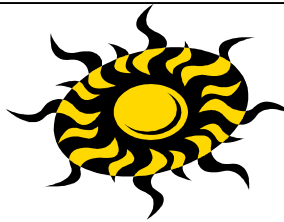
Lauren Gerald, PJHS-State Winner—7th & 8th Grade Records

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4-H Camp Grant Walker Needs Your Ideas!

Announcing the 10th annual "Catch-phrase for Camp" Contest!

What's a good theme for 4-H Summer Camp? Send us your most creative ideas for a slogan -- in 7 words or less. Also create a drawing that shows off your catchy slogan. The contest is open to all 4-H Club members. The winning slogan will be one that is brief and "catchy", capturing the spirit of 4-H Camp Grant Walker. The slogan will be used on all publicity for camp and on the camp T-shirt. The winner will receive a monetary award from the LAE 4-HA (La. Assoc. of Extension 4-H Agents).

Submissions must also include the following:

Full name and age of person submitting the slogan

Parish/4-H Club

Complete mailing address

Telephone number

Deadline for entries is October 26!

4-H! MUCH More Than Meetings!!!

Would you like more out of your 4-H Experience than just club meetings? There are many clubs and experiences that you can participate in outside of school! For more information about any of these clubs call the 4-H Office!

Horse Club

If you love horses then come and join the Washington Parish 4-H Horse club. 4-Hers of any age can join and you don't have to own a horse to enjoy the club! Call Mrs. Lacey for more information and to get on her mailing list!

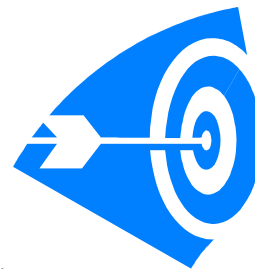
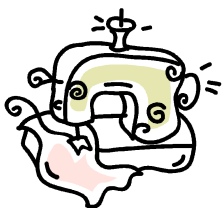


Jr. Leader Club

Washington Parish Jr. Leaders is an opportunity that offers yet another way for a 4-H member to get involved! Members in grades 7-12 who want to join youth from other backgrounds and schools to share ideas and get involved in the community are welcome! Watch the newsletter for meetings times and dates!

Sewing Club

Are you interested in learning about sewing the latest fashions? We will be holding sewing clinics throughout the year to teach you how to make some fashionable items that you can be proud of! Call Mrs. Emily for more information!



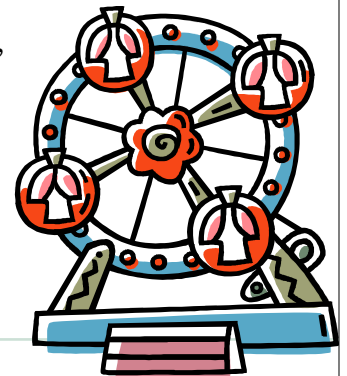
Outdoor Skills

Outdoor skills is an activity for everyone—girls, boys, young, old, urban, and rural. The program teaches you how to be a responsible marksman and hunter through education and skill development. This program is open to any youth ages 9-20 regardless of where you attend school. This is a fun, action-oriented program that will help you develop skills that will last a lifetime! For more information call Ms. Lacey!

2011 Washington Parish Free Fair

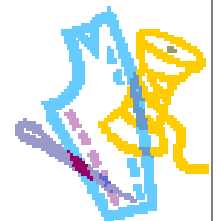
The Washington Parish Fair is right around the corner! Here is a list of guidelines for the Youth Building Exhibits and Old McDonald's Farm.

1. Exhibits must have been made and completed since last year's fair.
2. Only **ONE** entry per category.
3. Exhibits can be brought to the Youth Building at the fairgrounds, Monday October 17th from 8:30am—4:00pm.
4. Parents may bring exhibits to the Youth Building on Sunday October 16 from 2:00-4:00 PM
5. Bake goods can also be brought to the Youth Building on Monday, October 17th from 8:30am-4:00pm, and should be in air-tight disposable containers.
6. Exhibits can be picked up on Sunday, October 23rd from 2:00—4:00pm and on Monday, October 24th from 8:00—10:00am.
7. You **MUST** have your claim tag to pick-up exhibits!
8. Animals, such as chickens and rabbits, can be brought to the Livestock Barn Office on Tuesday, October 18th from 3:00- 6:00pm.
9. Old McDonald's Farm animals must be picked up on Sunday, October 23rd from 2:00—4:00pm
10. **Any club that enters a float in the parade will earn 100 points!**



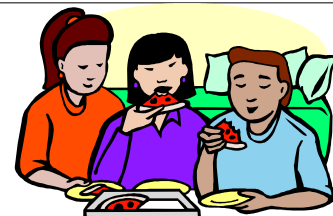
Join The Sewing Club!

We are “sew” ready to kick off the next year with fun and exciting sewing projects! If you are interested in learning more about sewing come join us for our first meeting of the year, September 24 at 1-3 PM at the 4-H Office, 1104-B Bene Street in Franklinton. You will need to bring \$5 and your scissors! By the end of the day you will have a project to enter into the FAIR! Boys and girls of all ages are welcome to join us for our first project of the year! Please call the 4-H Office at 839-7855



Do You Want To Be A Jr. Leader?

If you would like to be a part of something BIG, come join the Washington Parish Parish Jr. Leaders! WP Jr. Leaders is a group of 7th-12th graders who want to have fun and make a difference! The Jr. Leaders do service projects, help out the agents, and have lots of fun in the process!



The Jr. Leaders are kicking off the '11-'12 school year with a MESS FEST! Anyone who is interested in joining Jr. Leaders is invited to come get messy with teens from around Washington Parish! Join us on Tuesday, September 27th @ 5PM at the Washington Parish Fairgrounds!

How Do I Fill Out My Enrollment Card?

Your first step in joining 4-H is to fill out your enrollment card! Here are some hints on helping you fill it out:

1. Circle boy or girl at the top of the card!
2. Make sure you put your full name, MAILING address, age, date of birth, and grade in the correct slots. Please put all of this information on your card!
3. Make sure you check your race and ethnicity!
4. Circle which type of town you are from.
5. You are joining a SCHOOL club for question #7. Make sure you write the name of your club on the correct line!
6. If anyone in your family is currently a member of the military please check the appropriate box!
7. Make sure your parent signs your card, reads the statement underneath, and checks the box if she chooses.
8. Check 3 project books that you are interested in. Each 4-H member get ONE project book with their enrollment fee. Any additional books are \$4.
9. CIRCLE the ONE project book that you would like to get first. We will do our best to get you your first choice depending on what books we have available.
10. Turn in your card with your enrollment fee to your school leader!

Check us out on the Web!

<http://www.lsuagcenter.com/4h/washington>

Important Dates to Remember!

September Club Meetings-Club Member Enrollment

September 27 Jr. Leader Mess Fest

September 30 Washington Parish Officer/Leader Training

September 24 Sewing Workshop

October 16 & 17- WP Fair Youth Building Entries Due

October 19—22 Washington Parish Free Fair

**Remember to turn in your enrollment card to your leader quickly in order to get your project books as soon as possible!*



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