

Vermilion 4-H Cracklins



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DATES TO REMEMBER:

APRIL

- 10 Outstanding Club Member Award Applications due by 4:30 p.m., 4-H Office, Abbeville
- 11 State Ambassador Contest, Alexandria
- 19 Junior Leader Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Cecil McCrory Exhibit Bldg, Abbeville

MAY

- 4-5 Acadiana Horse Camp, SugArena, New Iberia
- 8 Outstanding Club Member Banquet, 7 p.m., Vermilion Fair and Festival Building, Kaplan
- 10 Jr. Leader Mtg., 6:30 p.m.
- 25 Last Day of School
- 29-30 Garden Contest Judging

June

- 2 Daylily Festival-Garden Contest Awards given out at Magdalen Square, Noon, Abbeville
- 9 Parish Horse Show, Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- 19-22 4-H University, LSU Campus, Baton Rouge
- 26-29 Kid Chef Camp, Abbeville High School, Abbeville 9:00 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.
- 28-30 Acadiana District Horse Show, SugArena, New Iberia

July

- 7-11 State Horse Show, Lamar Dixon Expo Center, Gonzales
- 23-27 4-H Camp, Grant Walker Educational Center, Pollock, LA.
- 29-Aug. 1 4-H LOST Camp, Grant Walker Educational Center, Pollock, LA

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4-H UNIVERSITY (Ages 13 years and Up)

If you are interested in 4-H University competition, let us know. We do keep alternate lists because often a 4-H'er will cancel due to scheduling conflicts.

4-H University will be held June 19-22 on the LSU Campus. Over 1,800 4-H'ers from throughout the state will be in attend-

ance. 4-H'ers will compete for awards ranging from cash prizes to all expense paid trips to 4-H Club Congress and educational trips.



4-H CAMP (4-6th Grade Members)

One hundred fifty Vermilion 4-H'ers will be rewarded for outstanding work by participating in activities at 4-H Camp Grant Walker Educational Center in Pollock, Louisiana July 23-27.

This award is given to 4-6th graders in each club who have completed at least one activity during the past year and have turned in an Application for Awards. The application was given out at March Club meetings.

Fees for 4-H Camp are \$165.00 per camper. This includes transportation to and from camp, all meals while at camp, and housing fees. Optional items include a T-shirt, a picture and a pillowcase.

A deposit will be due if you are selected to go to camp. Selection is based upon total points listed on page 4 of the award application and the number of applications received.

*The deadline to turn in completed Application for Awards is **TUESDAY, APRIL 10.***

LOST CAMP (Louisiana Outdoor Science & Technology—7-8th Grade)

The Louisiana 4-H SET program seeks to improve science literacy in America's youth through hands-on learning experiences. **LOST Camp (Louisiana Outdoor Science and Technology Camp) will take place July 29- August 1.**

Participants must be in the **7th or 8th grade as of May 2018.** The tracks will cover Robotics, Physics, Kitchen Chemistry, Recycling, Wetlands, Energy, Outdoor Skills, Videography, Forensic Science and Explosive Chemistry (tentative). Participants will choose 3 of these available

tracks and participate in all three. Interested Jr. High 4-H'ers should check off "LOST Camp" on the Application for Awards and we will contact you about attending camp. Members can also contact the parish 4-H office for more information.

4-H FOUNDATION SPORTING CLAY SHOOT

Mark your calendar for the 8th Annual Vermilion 4-H Foundation Sporting Clay Shoot which will be held September 8th at G.O.L. Shooting Range. There will be a Youth Skeet Shoot again this year and the Vermilion 4-H Foundation Board Members are working to improve the event. There will be a raffle (for a shotgun), auction, and much more.

Please look for more information in upcoming months and support this event which provides assistance for 4-H members to attend 4-H Camp, LOST Camp, 4-H University and more.





4-H AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Cecil McCrory Agriculture Award - **Annemarie Broussard**, Abbeville High

James Baudoin Memorial Award - **Annemarie Broussard**, Abbeville High and **Nicholas LeBlanc**, ARCH 4-H

Charles E. Dill, Sr. Leadership Award - **Olivia Luquette**, ARCH 4-H

Scholarships:

Scott Tractor Scholarship - **Annemarie Broussard**, Abbeville High

Cattlemen Scholarship – **Alexandra Herpin**, Kaplan High

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Denise Lene Gastal Memorial Scholarship - **Cailyn Simon**, Kaplan High

Jane Menard Memorial Scholarship - **Annemarie Broussard**, Abbeville High; Alternates were: **Cailyn Simon**, Kaplan High and **Alexandra Herpin**, Kaplan High

Alice Lancon Memorial Scholarship - **Clay Zaunbrecher**, ARCH

Nancy & Duffy Marceaux Memorial Scholarship - **Alexandra Herpin**, Kaplan High

Parish 4-H Foundation Scholarship - **Anna Zaunbrecher**, Abbeville High

Key Club Award - **Annemarie Broussard**, Abbeville High; **Anna Zaunbrecher**, Abbeville High; **Ava Hackney**, North Vermilion High; **Clay Zaunbrecher**, ARCH; and **Ashton Gaspard**, Kaplan High.



Junior Award of Excellence - Back Row (l to r) **Reece Hardee**; F.I.-E.B. Elementary; **Collin Arnould**, N. Vermilion Middle School; **John-Michael Shiner**, Erath High; **Andrew Trahan**, F.I.-E.B. Elementary; **Luke Trahan**, F.I.-E.B. Elementary; and **Kinsey Waits**, N. Vermilion Middle. Front Row (l to r): **Mallory Meaux**, Kaplan High; **Christopher Broussard**, F.I.-E.B. Elementary; **Ayla Bergeron**, Maltrait Memorial Catholic School; and **Shelby Buroker**, N. Vermilion Middle.



Youngs Foreman Trophy

Each year the 4-H Club that makes the largest contribution to the Vermilion 4-H Foundation is recognized at Achievement Day and receives the Youngs Foreman trophy to display at their school for one year. This year's trophy was awarded to F.I.-E.B. Elementary 4-H Club. Pictured are: Ty Hebert, F.I.E.B. club president: and Hilton Waits, 4-H Agent.



Charles E. Dill, Sr. Leadership Award

The Charles E. Dill, Sr. Leadership Award was started by Charles E. Dill, Jr. in memory of his late father who was a great supporter of 4-H and the leadership skills members develop as a result of their involvement.

Each year at 4-H Achievement Day, a plaque is presented to a Vermilion 4-H Junior Leader member who has exhibited outstanding leadership ability during the past year. This year's winner is an 8th grade member of ARCH 4-H Club, Olivia Luquette. Presenting the award is Charles E. Dill, Jr.

Benefits of Summer Camp

Dr. Scales, a well-known psychologist once said, "Camp is one of the few institutions where young people can experience and satisfy their need for physical activity, creative expression and true participation in a community environment. Most schools don't satisfy all these needs." The camp experience offers a nurturing environment away from the distractions of the city. The children will participate in physical and fun activities such as archery, canoeing, sand volleyball, kick-ball, swimming, tubing and much more!

Louisiana 4-H Youth Resident Summer Camp is more than just fun and games. 4-H Camp strives to develop a variety of life skills related to Head, Heart, Hands and Health. One of the most important skills children learn from camp is self-sufficiency. That is, they learn how to survive four whole days on their own. 4-H camp is a great way to get a child out of their shell and be able to explore what the world has to offer in a safe environment!



Kid Chef Cooking Camp

June 26-29

4-6th graders only!

Fill out and return by: May 25th

**RETURN TO: Kid Chef Cooking Camp
401 S. St. Charles St.
Abbeville, LA. 70510**

NAME _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

SCHOOL _____ **GRADE** _____

PHONE (DAYTIME) _____

DO NOT SEND MONEY WITH THIS FORM! *You will be notified if you can participate.* Registrations are accepted on first come-first served basis and the camp is limited to the first 25 registrations.

KID CHEF COOKING CAMP

Kid Chef Camp will be held June 26-29, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day. 4-H members who were in 4-6th grade this school year are eligible to participate. Camp is limited to the first 25 registration forms received at the office. **Phone registrations WILL NOT be accepted.** Once the camp is full, a waiting list will be kept, so make sure to get your registration form in.

Participants will do hands on food, nutrition and physical fitness activities, and learn about food safety.

DO NOT SEND MONEY WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM. The cost of the class will be \$20 and we will notify the first 25 members of their acceptance and request payment.

Completed registration forms are due at the 4-H Office by May 25th!



4-H HORSE PROGRAM

The 2018 4-H Horse Program kicked off April 1st with several new exhibitors enrolling in the project. The horse program will run through the summer, ending in July with the State Horse show at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales. Project members will take part in numerous hands on clinics to improve their horse knowledge and enjoy opportunities to ride their horses with other 4-H members.

A list of upcoming events includes:

- May 4-5, Acadiana Horse Camp, SugArena, New Iberia
- June 9, Vermilion Parish Horse Show, Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- June 28-30, Acadiana District Horse Show, SugArena, New Iberia
- July 7-11, State Horse Show, Lamar-Dixon Expo Center, Gonzales

If you are interested in the 4-H Horse program or if you have any questions, please call Mr. Hilton at 898-4335.

HAVE A SAFE, RELAXING SUMMER VACATION

This is our last meeting for this year, but don't forget that "4-H is not over!" The summer is a great time to "work" on your projects. Earning extra money by babysitting, cutting grass, and helping around the house is a good way to build up your record book, as well as your bank account! Even your hobbies could be your 4-H summer work: Photography, Wildlife, Food Preservation, Dog & Pet Care, Gardening, Foods & Nutrition, etc.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. We look forward to seeing you in September.

Sincerely,

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ATTENTION!!!

It is the policy of the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, or disability. If you have a disability which requires special assistance for your participation in any of our 4-H activities, please contact either Mrs. Shannan or Mr. Hilton at 898-4335.