



## **4-H Is For Everyone!**

4-H represents groups of young people in all parts of Caldwell Parish having fun together and "Learning by Doing". 4-H clubs offer a world of opportunities for boys and girls to learn new things, go new places and meet new people. A 4-H club is an organized group of youth; the members elect their own officers and operate as a democracy in action. Most 4-H clubs hold monthly meetings in their local school. Once a student completes the enrollment card and pays the club dues, they will be added to the club list. Members will then have the opportunity to attend and participate in monthly club meetings. Club meetings are held at school during the school day. Members are excused from class to participate in the co-curricular activity. Monthly newsletters are handed out at each meeting to give information about upcoming events. Each club elects officers, giving leadership opportunities to members. Those officers conduct a business meeting each month with the help of the adult leader. More information on the Caldwell Parish 4-H program can be found on our website at [www.lsuagcenter.com/caldwell](http://www.lsuagcenter.com/caldwell).

## **4-H Day at the Capitol**

On May 30<sup>th</sup>, 12 Caldwell 4-H'ers along with two volunteer leaders and agents Casey Beavers and Jim McCann traveled to Baton Rouge to attend the 11<sup>th</sup> annual 4-H Day at the Capitol where they toured the state capitol with other 4-H club members from across the state.

## **4-H Camp**

LSU AgCenter agents Casey Beavers and Jim McCann along with 26 Caldwell Parish 4-H campers, Clivette Scroggs, adult leader and Junior Leader Bobbie Butler attended the 2012 4-H Camp held at the Grant Walker Educational Center in Pollock, La. Joining Caldwell for this week long adventure were youth and adult volunteers from Catahoula, Lafourche, Ascension, Pointe Coupee and Evangeline parishes. Youth were given the opportunity to engage in numerous hands-on activities in a variety of areas such as archery, dramatic arts, canoeing, swimming, cooking, ATV safety, arts and crafts, technology and outdoor skills. 4-H Camp is a learning experience that helps members appreciate the outdoors, live together as a group, get along with others and appreciate people with different backgrounds and interests. Thank you to Bobbie Butler for attending camp as a junior counselor this summer and also to Clivette Scroggs for volunteering a week of her summer to help with supervision of campers. A special thank you goes to Jerry Bailey Enterprises and Ronald Carr – C & A Development for sponsoring some of our Caldwell parish 4-H youth so they would have the opportunity to attend 4-H Camp.

## **Northeast District Horse Show and State Horse Show**

Four Caldwell Parish 4-H'ers competed in the Northeast District Horse Show at the Ike Hamilton Expo Center in West Monroe on June 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Competing were Meredith Scroggs, Brooke Wise, Railey Ellerbe and Larrah Springer. Railey, Larrah and Meredith also competed in the Louisiana 4-H and FFA State Horse Show held July 9<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>. These 4-H'ers brought home many awards at both shows. Congratulations! Caldwell Parish 4-H is proud of each of you!

## **4-H University**

Eight youth from Caldwell Parish along with LSU AgCenter agents Casey Beavers and Jim McCann and adult volunteers Donna Rollins and Denise Kelly traveled to the LSU campus in Baton Rouge during June to participate in 4-H University. Jake Rollins competed in Insect ID; Asia Neal, Photography; Krista Weems, Consumer Decision Making; Nealy McCoy, Consumer Decision Making; Mallory Dannehl, Consumer Decision Making; Keva Powell, 4-H Has Talent; Bobbie Rae Butler, Consumer Decision Making and Erin Scott, Consumer Decision Making. Each 4-H'er did a great job representing Caldwell Parish in their contest. While at 4-H University, participants had the opportunity to experience life on the LSU campus as well as interact with 1,300 4-H'ers from across the state. Congratulations to Bobbie Butler and Krista Weems for being elected to serve on the State 4-H Executive Board where they will represent the Northeast Region. We would like to recognize Erin Scott and Mallory Dannehl for winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Consumer Decision Making Contest and Keva Powell for placing 5<sup>th</sup> in the 4-H Has Talent contest. Congratulations!

## **Lost Camp**

Summer camping at Camp Grant Walker ends with the Louisiana Outdoor Science and Technology Camp for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Bailey Coates along with junior counselor Bobbie Butler attended this camp and did a great job representing Caldwell Parish!

### Fashion, Food and Fitness Project Club

Food, fun and flavor! Good nutrition doesn't have to be dull. This afterschool project club is open to 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade 4-H members and begins this month at the Caldwell Parish Pre-K Center in Columbia. Members of the club will meet once a month to focus on fashion, food and fitness. Learn to experiment with different foods that are both good and good for you. Increase your knowledge of good health through MyPlate. Learn to choose and eat nutritious foods and use proper preparation techniques. Stay in shape with fun activities and games. Learn about fashion and modeling. **The first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 13 from 4:30 – 5:15 p.m. at the Caldwell Pre-K Center.**

# JOIN THE REVOLUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY

### National 4-H Week: October 7-13, 2012

4-H youth are a living, breathing, culture-changing revolution for doing the right thing, breaking through obstacles and pushing our country forward

by making a measurable difference right where they live. Celebrate the uncommon commitment of 4-H'ers during National 4-H week and recognize the confidence, passion and practical skills that prepare them to step up to the challenges of our complex, changing world. Learn how you can **Join the Revolution of Responsibility!**

### Join the 4-H Junior Leader Club

If you are in 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, you may join the Caldwell parish 4-H Junior Leader Club. Junior Leaders are active with service learning projects, assist with 4-H activities, serve as camp counselors and have lots of fun! We have a lot of new ideas this year for the Junior Leader Club. The parish agents are excited and hope you will come join us at our meeting on **Wednesday, September 19** from 4:15 – 5:30 p.m. at the Pre-K Center. (We're having pizza!)

### Get "Pulled" Into This Service Project!!

Three blocks from St. Francis Medical Center in Monroe is the Ronald McDonald House of Northeast Louisiana. Renovations changed a church into a home-away-from-home for family members of hospitalized patients in the northeast Louisiana, south Arkansas area. This is not just a place to stay, but a home-like environment where families can give each other emotional support and understanding. There are more than 150 Ronald McDonald Houses in the U.S., Canada and overseas.

Since the Ronald McDonald House in Monroe opened in 1985, it has hosted more than 8,000 families from 30 states and 9 foreign countries. Primarily they have served trauma, heart disease, cancer, serious childhood diseases and families of premature babies who need to be close to area hospitals. Every club can participate with no expense and very little effort by collecting pop tabs. Please bring your collections to the 4-H office on Friday, April 5, 2013 where we will decide which club has collected the most tabs. The winning club will get a prize!! Just a few facts: Why not recycle the whole can? Because we do not have room to store them and sanitation is a problem with sticky soda cans. How many tabs make a pound? 763. A gallon milk jug will hold 5 pounds of tabs. A 5-gallon water bottle will hold approximately 25 pounds.



### Upcoming Events

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| Sept. 13        | Fashion, Food, Fitness Club meeting, Pre-K Center       | Nov. 12    | Fall Foods Festival, Central Elementary  |
| Sept. 15        | Caldwell 4-H Beef and Goat Show, Lions Club Rodeo Arena | Nov. 27    | Fashion Revue garments due               |
| Sept. 19        | Volunteer Leader Forum, Rayville Civic Center           |            |  |
|                 | Junior Leader Club meeting, Pre-K Center                | Dec. 3     | Fashion Revue, Grayson Elementary        |
| Sept. 22        | Ark-La-Miss Fair Livestock Show, Monroe Civic Center    | Dec. 7     | 4-H Hamburger lunch fundraiser           |
| Sept. 29        | 4-H Day with the Tigers, Parker Coliseum, LSU           | Dec. 14    | Photography Contest entries due          |
|                 |   |            |  |
| Oct. 7-13       | National 4-H Week                                       | Jan. 4     | Ag Expo Photography Contest entries due  |
| Oct. 13         | Louisiana Art and Folk Festival                         | Jan. 18-19 | Ag Expo, West Monroe                     |
| Oct. 23-Nov. 11 | Louisiana State Fair Livestock Show, Shreveport         | Jan. 19    | Ag Expo Livestock Show, West Monroe      |
| Oct. 26         | Leaf ID contest entries due                             | Jan. 23-26 | Northeast District Livestock Show, Delhi |
|                 |   | Jan. 31    | Dairy Billboard Contest entries due      |

If you have a disability which requires assistance for your participation in a meeting, please contact Casey Beavers or Jim McCann at 318-649-2663.



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