



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### October

- 1-7 National 4-H Week
- 7 Fishing Clinic, 9-11 a.m., Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- 12 Junior Leader Mtg., 6:30 p.m., Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- 13 Alice Lancon Memorial Cooking Contest, Farm Bureau Meeting Room, Abbeville
- 13-14 Cattle Festival Sheep, Goat & Beef Show, Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- 17 Deadline to register for Pumpkin Workshop
- 20 Rice Festival Cookery Contest, **See article -NEW address in Crowley!**
- 25 Officer Training Mtg., 4:30-6:00 p.m., Rene Rost Middle School, Kaplan
- 30 Pumpkin Workshop, 6:00 p.m. Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- 30-Nov. 17 State Fair of La., Shreveport

### November

- 6 Garments due at Farm Bureau Meeting Room in Abbeville, 4:30 -6:30 p.m. for Clothing Contest Appearance Judging
- 6 **Deadline for possession of Market and Breeding Beef, Dairy, Sheep & Goats**
- 9 Junior Leader Mtg., 6:30 p.m. Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- 11 Archery Clinic, 9:00 a.m., Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville
- 16 Personal Development Contest. 6:00 p.m., Abbeville High
- 16 Clothing Contest Garment Pick-up-5:00 p.m., Abbeville High School
- 16 Fashion Review - 6:00 p.m., Abbeville High School
- 20 Dog & Pet Show, Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, 9:00 a.m., Abbeville
- 20 Bike Rodeo, Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, 1:00 p.m. Abbeville
- 20 Rice & Beef Cookery Contest, Registration, 9:00 a.m. Farm Bureau Meeting Room, Abbeville
- 21 Engineering Contest, Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, 9:00 a.m., Abbeville
- 23-24 Thanksgiving Holiday 4-H OFFICE CLOSED**

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### National 4-H Week

The week of October 1-7, 2017, is the time to tell others about 4-H through posters, displays, and other school and community activities.

Make a special effort to thank sponsors and leaders in your area for supporting the 4-H club program. The national theme is: "4-H Grows Here."

If you are looking for fresh ideas on how to promote 4-H during National 4-H Week, contact us at 898-4335 and we can assist you.



### Officer Training Workshop



**TIME:** 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

**WHEN:** Wednesday,  
October 25, 2017

**WHERE:** Rene Rost  
Middle School, Kaplan

Club officers are encouraged to attend the Officer Training Workshop on Wednesday, October 25, at Rene Rost Middle School in Kaplan. This is the perfect opportunity to learn what your duties are as a club officer and what is expected of you.

### 4-H Personal Development Contest

All 4-H'ers are invited to participate in the Parish Personal Development Contest, which will be held on **Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**, at Abbeville High School at 6:00 p.m. 4-H'ers should be well groomed and dressed nicely. Each 4-H'er will be interviewed by 1 or 2 friendly adult volunteers. Expect to answer questions about yourself, your family, school and 4-H activities. Members should exhibit good manners, a friendly personality and be at ease with the judges. You will be scored on posture, poise, manners, ability to converse with adults and overall appearance.

*Refreshments will be provided by the Vermilion Volunteers for Family and Community Educators.*

**ARCHERY CLINIC REGISTRATION FORM**  
**Saturday, November 11 - 9:00 a.m.**  
**Clinic is limited - first 35 registered!**

**NO REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED BY PHONE!!!** All registrations must be either mailed, faxed or dropped off at the 4-H Office located at  
**401 S. St. Charles Street, Abbeville, LA. 70510**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GRADE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DAYTIME PHONE #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Archery Clinic

An Archery Clinic will be held Saturday, November 11 in the field next to the Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building in Abbeville beginning **at 9:00 a.m.** **Space is limited to the first 35 to register.** You must mail the form at left or bring it to the 4-H office - **NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN OVER THE PHONE!!!**

**You must bring your own arrows and they must be target point arrows - ONLY!!!!** No broad-tip arrows are allowed!!! If you have a bow, please bring it with you.

## 4-H Clothing Contest & Fashion Revue

Start stitching up a garment now, because the contest will soon be here! Garments will be due on **Monday, November 6, 2017**. Please read this information carefully because there have been changes to the structure of the contest from past years.

You may enter only one garment in each category. (Example – cannot enter 2 shirts). Categories are specific to grade divisions. Please read descriptions carefully.

| 4 <sup>th</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Categories:  | 6 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Categories:<br>{All entries must be a complete outfit}  | 8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Categories:<br>{All entries must be a complete outfit}   |
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| <p><b>A. Pants or Skirt:</b><br/>Includes bottoms like capris, pants, skirts, etc.</p>   | <p><b>A. Casual Wear:</b> Includes any complete outfit appropriate for a casual occasion. Does NOT include floor length skirts or very dressy outfits.</p>  | <p><b>A. Casual Wear:</b> Includes any complete outfit appropriate for a casual occasion. Does NOT include floor length skirts or very dressy outfits.</p>  |
| <p><b>B. Shirt, Blouse or Top:</b> Includes any top or shirt – must be made to fit member</p>  | <p><b>B. Special Occasion:</b> Includes any complete outfit for special wear such as prom, church, wedding, interview outfit, or dinner date/dance.</p>   | <p><b>B. Special Occasion:</b> Includes any complete outfit for special wear such as prom, church, wedding, interview outfit, or dinner date/dance.</p>   |
| <p><b>C. Simple Nightgown:</b><br/>One piece garment appropriate for sleepwear</p>   | <p><b>C. Creative Choice:</b> May be any type and for any occasion. Should be a selection that is especially suitable to the needs and personality of the 4-H'er and show some challenge in the clothing construction. Outfit must feature 5 or more of the following: bound buttonholes, collar or other neckline treatment, creative stitchery, cuffs, design that must be matched, gathers, ruffles, flounces, handmade accessory, lining, pleats or tucks, pockets, sleeves, special seam, tailored collar, trim or decorative detail, underlining, use of unusual fabrics, waistbands, or waistline, worked on 2 or more fabrics of different weight or textures, yoke, or zipper.</p> | <p><b>C. Creative Choice:</b> May be any type and for any occasion. Should be a selection that is especially suitable to the needs and personality of the 4-H'er and show some challenge in the clothing construction. Outfit must feature 5 or more of the following: bound buttonholes, collar or other neckline treatment, creative stitchery, cuffs, design that must be matched, gathers, ruffles, flounces, handmade accessory, lining, pleats or tucks, pockets, sleeves, special seam, tailored collar, trim or decorative detail, underlining, use of unusual fabrics, waistbands, or waistline, worked on 2 or more fabrics of different weight or textures, yoke, or zipper.</p> |
| <p><b>D. Any Other Garment:</b> Any garment that does not fit into one of the categories above. Must be a garment that the member can wear and model for appearance judging.</p> |    |    |

**Turning In Your Garment:**

Your garment should be put on a hanger labeled with your name, school, grade and contest category – see example. You must also write a short description to be used in the Fashion Revue script. You can get ideas for your description from your pattern. Include information such as fabric content, color and design, garment style, accessories, appropriate places to wear garment, etc. Feel free to be creative with your description. Participation in the Fashion Revue is optional and not required for contest entry.

**Monday, November 6, 2017 – turn in garment at Farm Bureau Office in Abbeville**  
 (3139 Veterans Memorial Dr, Abbeville, LA 70510)

The 4-H member must be present when turning in the garment this year – appearance judging will take place at this time. Garments are to be brought to the Farm Bureau Office in Abbeville between **4:30 and 6:30 p.m.** At the time of submission, the member will be asked to try on the garment and model for the appearance judging portion of the contest. This will be done only with contestant and judges – no audience. Members will go in the order that they arrive. The appearance scoresheet can be found below for reference. Members will leave their garment with contest officials after appearance judging. Construction judging of garments will take place between turn-in date and Fashion Revue date.

**Thursday, November 16, 2017 – Fashion Revue at Abbeville High School**

A Fashion Revue will be held on the AHS stage at 6:00 p.m. at the beginning of the Personal Development Contest. Garments will be transported to Abbeville High School for you. Clothing contest members should plan to arrive at AHS at 5:00 p.m. to pick up garments and practice for Fashion Revue. Participation in the Fashion Revue is *optional* and will not affect your contest placing. Contest results will be awarded at the end of the Fashion Revue. If a member chooses not to participate in the Fashion Revue, they should still plan to pick up the garment at AHS that evening.

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| <b>Appearance Scoresheet</b>  |
| <b>Design:</b> Line and design approximate to model; color complimentary to size and model; fabric suitable to pattern; length flattering to model. (10 points)   |
| <b>Fit:</b> Smooth fit without wrinkles; correct amount of ease; undergarments appropriate to outfit. Areas of fit to be considered are neckline, shoulders, bust, waist, hips and abdomen. (20 points) |
| <b>Accessories:</b> Appropriate to outfit; complimentary to size of individual; (consider color, texture, size) are they needed? (10 points)  |
| <b>Presentation:</b> Grooming and general appearance – hair, makeup, nails, neatness, posture, poise, pleasant expression, at ease, confident, shows off garment well. (10 points)                      |



*(Cut on dotted line and return bottom portion with garment)*



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one of these:

I plan to model my outfit in the Fashion Revue

I WILL NOT model in the Fashion Revue

Write a short description of your garment here: (use your pattern to get ideas)

**Pumpkin Workshop — 6:00 p.m.  
Monday, October 30, 2017  
Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building, Abbeville**

We accept cash, money order, or checks, made out to: **Vermilion 4-H**. **Registration is required for attendance!!! YOU MUST BRING A PUMPKIN TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS WORKSHOP!!**

RETURN FORM to: **Pumpkin Workshop, 401 S. St. Charles St., Abbeville, La. 70510 BY: October 17<sup>th</sup>**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I will attend the workshop and want to Paint my pumpkin. Cost \$4.00 each.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will attend and carve my pumpkin. I need a kit. Cost is \$7.00 each.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will attend and carve my pumpkin, but will bring my own kit - No charge for workshop.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

**Pumpkin Workshop**

If you want to have the coolest Jack-O-Lantern in your neighborhood, come to the pumpkin carving workshop on **Monday, Oct. 30, at 6 p.m.** You have three options:

- \* **If you want to carve your pumpkin, YOU MUST BRING YOUR OWN PUMPKIN - ALREADY CLEANED OUT!!** If you have a kit and it is still in good condition, please bring it with you, you will not need to buy another kit.
- \* A limited number of carving kits are available at \$7.00 each if you need to purchase a carving kit. Register early! If you choose this option - **your pumpkin MUST be cleaned out before you bring it to the clinic!**
- \* You can choose to paint your pumpkin. If you select this option, you do not have to clean out your pumpkin.

All participants will get to bring home their pumpkin. If you purchased a carving kit through the 4-H Office, it is yours to bring home also. Halloween goodies made from pumpkins will be provided as a snack for participants. **We will accept 200 participants for the clinic.** To participate, fill out the form on this page and return it to the 4-H Office by October 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Rice Festival Cookery Contest - NEW LOCATION!!**

The Rice Festival is drawing near. The 2017 International Rice Festival will be held October 20-21, in Crowley, Louisiana. The Rice and Creole Cookery Contest will be held on **Friday, Oct. 20, AT A NEW LOCATION -Acadia Parish School Board Adult Education Center, 2122 N. Parkerson Avenue in Crowley!!!** Entry information will be handed out by 4-H agents at October club meetings.

**4-H Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Goat, & Swine Projects**

**You have until November 6 to get a breeding animal (calf, lamb, or goat) for the spring show season.** If you would like to get involved with the 4-H Beef, Dairy, Goat or Sheep project, and need help finding an animal, call Mr. Hilton at 898-4335.

You have until **December 4 to get a market or breeding pig for the spring show season.** If you would like to get involved in the 4-H Swine project, and need help finding an animal, call Mr. Hilton or Ms. Melissa at 898-4335 or come by the office 401 S. St. Charles Street in Abbeville.

**IMPORTANT!! — Validation dates for market animals - beef, sheep, goats and swine will be sometime in October!! Check your livestock newsletter for updated information.**

Sincerely,



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