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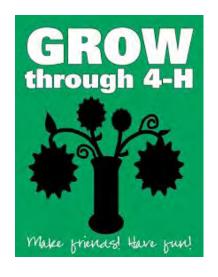
Look for us as Texas A&M AgriLife Extension—Orange County

Orange County AgriLife Newsletter August 2016





The Extension Office will be closed Monday, Sept. 5, 2016



The 2016-2017 4-H
New Year Begins
August 15th, 2016
Interested in being
a part of 4-H?
Then come along
and join our team!
Call 882-7010.
Enroll at
Texas.4honline.com



Each participant will bring home a jar of the items they can.

Hand's On Vegetable Canning

Class

Thursday,
September 8, 2016
6 pm
\$20 per person*



*Cash or Check payable the day of the class



Class will be held at the Extension office. Limited to 15 participants.

Call the Extension office for your reservation, 882-7010.

Class taught by, Fallon Foster, CEA
Family & Consumer Science





You still have time to sign up and began the road to a healthier you!

Classes for Adults with Type II diabetes will be held at the Mauriceville Community Center
August, 16, 23, 30, September 6 & 13th
2 pm to 4 pm on Tuesdays for 5 weeks.

It is important to attend all 5 classes to received the full educational benefit. Interested in participating call the Extension office at 882-7010.

Attention Food Service Employees

August 11th will be your chance this year to receive your Food Handlers Certificate. Class will be held at the AgriLife Extension Office Orange beginning at 2 pm. Cost is \$20 per person and is payable by cash or check the day of the class. To register call 882-7010.

















Kids Beginners





Youth Ages 9-18

Interested in Sewing?

Come along and join 4-H!

We have a Sewing Project Group that meets the 4th Tuesdays of each month at the 4-H office.





What's in the Lab

September 22, 2016 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm 00.012 Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office 11475 FM 1442 Orange, TX 409-882-7010



FDA.gov







The class will cover:

- reading the label
- nutritional value
- what GMO, Natural, and Organic means.
- Live meat cutting demonstrations.

Please call and let us know you are coming. TEXAS A&M

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

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1st Ahhual Casserole Pot Luck
Orange County 4-H Awards Banquet
For Members & Family

Thursday
September 1, 2016
6 pm to 8 pm

Convention & Expo Center

Orange County

"Learn to Build a Recordbook"

Will meet the 1st Tuesdays of each month @ 6pm

Learning the importance of keeping a record book which will enable you for competitions and scholarships. The class will allow you the skills needed to keep up with your project record throughout your 4-H year. The Family Guide to the Texas 4-H Recordbook will be what is used for the majority of teaching these skills. In order to qualify for certain awards at our annual Award Banquet Ceremony, a recordbook will be a requirement. It will be a great learning experience and I hope you are able to attend. Please contact extension office (882-7010) to sign up for your spot in the class. See you at Recordbook, Ms. Becky.



Important Livestock Dates to remember !!!!



ORANGE COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW POULTRY

Pick up Birds
August 5th
8 am to 12 noon
at the AgriLife Extension Office

SOUTH TEXAS STATE FAIR (YMBL) Friday, September 30th Poultry order deadline for 4-H Office

Orange County Livestock Show October 7 & 8, 2016



We would love for you to be a part of OCLSA
We meet the 1st Monday of each month
7 pm

OCLSA Barn or AgriLife Office (depending on weather)

Barn is located on Arnel Road in Mauriceville.

Take Cohenour off Hwy 62 then first left and the barn will be down on the left.

Let us know if you want to be added to the OCLSA meeting email notification list -882-7010.



Attention ALL 4-H Members
September will be Election Month for
Orange 4-H County Council.
County Council meets the 1st Monday of each
month

Officers meet at 6 pm followed by the 6:30-7:30 Council Meeting.

Anyone interested in running for an office must be able to attend 75% of all meetings.

The County Council plans and promotes 4-H throughout the year.

ALL 4-H YOUTH ARE WELCOMED



Adult Leaders

Adult Leaders are parents of our 4-H members and Adults from the community who care about 4-H and the youth.

The Adult Leaders advise the
4-H County Council along with
Planning fundraiser, community
service projects and conducting leader training.
The Adult Leaders meet at the same time
As the county council
1st Mondays of each month at 6:30 pm

ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!





Adult Leaders Association & County 4-H Council

1st Mondays @ 6:30 pm 4-H Office (Council Will not Meet in August) ALL Adults & 4-H Members Welcomed

Dusty Trails 4-H

2nd Monday 7 pm @ 4-H Office

Mighty Pirates 4-H

2nd Tuesday @ 7 pm, Raymond Gould Community Center Vidor

Clay Busters 4-H Shooting Sports

Each Tuesday @ 6 pm Orange Gun Club

Boots and Bridles 4-H Horse Club

3rd Wednesdays @ 6 pm T2 Arena (weather permitting)

PLEASE NOTE—Contact the club manager or 4-H
office if your club meeting date falls on a
Holiday. You will be informed of the new date for
that particular meeting.







4th Mondays 6 pm @ 4-H Office



4-H Sewing Workshop 4th Tuesday of each month 6 pm @ 4-H Office



4-H Horse Judging Practice TBA

Beginning August 16, 2016

FOOD AND NUTRITION

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For all 4-H members 6pm 4-H Office Call if Interested 882-7010



Interested in being a part of a 4-H Robotics Club?
If so, call the 4-H office 882-7010

4-H August 2016 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Adult Leaders 3:30	Poultry Work- shop 6 pm Clay Busters 6pm	J	4	J	O
7	8 Dusty Trails 7pm Clover Camp 1pm-4pm Ex- po Center	9 Clay Busters 6pm Mighty Pirates 7 pm Clover Camp 1pm-4pm	10 Clover Camp 1pm-4pm Expo Center	11	12 Outdoor Awareness 9 am to 1 pm Claiborne Park	13 Back to School a Lamar Orange 9am-1pm
14	15 Boots & Bridle 6 pm 2016-2017 4-H Enroll- ment Opens	16 Food & Nutrition 6pm Clay Busters 6pm	17	18	19	20
21	22 Public Speaking 6pn	23 Sewing Project 6 pm Clay Busters 6pm	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 Clay Busters 6 pm	31 Club Reports Due 4-H Ofc.			







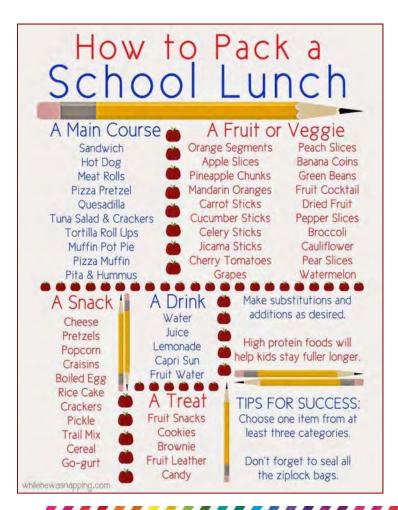


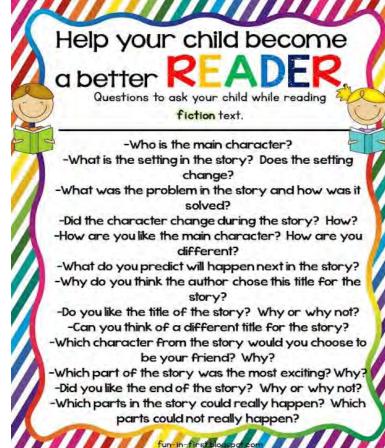




Orange County 4-H members delivered homebaked goodies, treats and a meat tray to say THANK YOU to
Orange Tractor Supply
For always supporting 4-H









Cips For Back to School

use a planner
 tackle you big task first
 don't overcommit

yourself

4. get enough sleep

5. get organized

6. keep your technology charged

7. track your grades

8. get ahead | don't procrastinate

9. lay out your outfit before 10.take a break 11.stay positive

www.prepinyourstep.com







Brag About it Bread Bake

Makes 6 servings

You'll want to tell everyone about this bread bake that features broccoli, chicken, cheese, onion, eggs, and milk

Ingredients

6 slices bread (cubed, approximately 6 cups)

1 1/2 cups broccoli (frozen, chopped and cooked)

1 cup cheddar cheese, low-fat shredded

1 tablespoon onion (minced, optional)

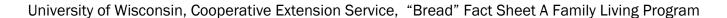
1 cup chicken, skinless (diced, cooked)

3 eggs or 4 egg whites

2 cups milk, non-fat

Directions

- 1. Place half the bread in a well greased 9x9 inch pan.
- 2. Top with broccoli, cheese, onion and meat.
- 3. Place remaining bread on top.
- 4. In a bowl, mix eggs and milk.
- 5. Pour egg mixture over bread in pan.
- 6. Cover. Refrigerate overnight or at least 1 hour.
- 7. Bake uncovered at 325 degrees for 1 to 1/2 hours, or until center is firm and lightly browned.



Nutrition Information

Total Calories 250; Total Fat 6g; Protein 25g; Carbohydrates 24g; Dietary Fiber 2g; Saturated Fat 2g; Sodium 420mg







Agriculture Secretary Proclaims August 7-13 'National Farmers Market Week'

WASHINGTON, July 11, 2016 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today signed a <u>proclamation</u> declaring Aug. 7-13, 2016, as "National Farmers Market Week." This year marks the 17th annual National Farmers Market Week to honor and celebrate the important role that farmers markets play in local economies.

"Farmers markets are an important part of strong local and regional food systems that connect farmers with new customers and grow rural economies. In many areas, they are also expanding access to fresh, healthy food for people of all income levels," said Secretary Vilsack. "National Farmers Market Week recognizes the growth of these markets and their role in supporting both urban and rural communities."

Throughout the week, USDA officials will celebrate at farmers market locations across the country. On Saturday, Aug. 6, Elanor Starmer, the Administrator of USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) – which conducts research, provides technical assistance, and awards grants to support local and regional food systems – will kick off the week visiting a farmers market and wrap up the week at USDA's own farmers market in Washington, D.C., Friday, Aug. 12.

"Farmers markets are a gathering place where you can buy locally produced food, and at the same time, get to know the farmer and story behind the food you purchase," said Administrator Starmer. "These types of markets improve earning potential for farmers and ranchers, building stronger community ties and access to local foods."

To help farmers market managers across the country promote and celebrate National Farmers Market Week, USDA is sharing online free farmers market related graphics that market managers and others can use to customize posters, emails, websites and other promotional materials. The graphics, along with a short demonstration video, can be found at: www.ams.usda.gov/resources/NFMW

Over the course of the Obama Administration, USDA has invested close to \$1 billion in 40,000 local food businesses and infrastructure projects. Farmers markets provide consumers with fresh, affordable, convenient, and healthy products from local producers. With support from USDA, more farmers markets offer customers the opportunity to make purchases with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; the Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program; and the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Programs.

Supporting farmers markets is a part of the USDA's Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food (KYF2) Initiative, which coordinates the Department's work to develop strong local and regional food systems. USDA is committed to helping farmers, ranchers, and businesses access the growing market for local and regional foods, which was valued at \$12 billion in 2014 according to industry estimates. You can also find local and regional supply chain resources on the newly-revamped KYF2 website and use the KYF2 Compass to locate USDA investments in your community.

More information on how USDA investments are connecting producers with consumers and expanding rural economic opportunities is available in Chapter IV of USDA Results on Medium.

Field of Plenty



The mission of The Field of Plenty garden is to bring the community together to grow, harvest, prepare, and give fresh fruits and vegetables to help alleviate food insecurity and to pass on the knowledge of gardening and food preparation for a healthy community, thus continuing God's love in action in Orange County.

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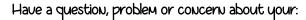


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The Field of Plenty Donation Garden

The Field of Plenty is a new program addition to Orange Christian Services and is located directly behind the OCS building at 2120 Wickard. The purpose of the garden is to supply fresh fruit and vegetables to the OCS food pantry.

This month we are looking for volunteers to help us with the following tasks: moving cinder blocks, hauling soil to fill the beds, trimming fence rows, picking up trash, and weeding. Tools needed if you can help with any of these tasks are wheelbarrows, shovels, hoes, and pruners. Volunteers need to always wear sturdy shoes and bring gloves. Also have your name written on any tools you bring.







Garden

Flowers

Plauts

Lawn

Pond

Trees

Call our Master Gardner Hotline

409-745-9708

Or stop by and talk with our

Master Gardener

Tuesdays & Thursdays

10 am to 2 pm

You can also call the office

Monday Friday

882-7010 and leave a message

for the Master Gardener









http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/

Great website for all your horticulture needs. Check the site out!

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E-mail: orange-tx@tamu.edu

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Shrimp Coleslaw

1—1lb bag coleslaw1 lb shrimp, cooked, chopped1 bunch green onions, chopped1 bell pepper, chopped (optional)

Dressing:

1 cup mayo

3 Tablespoon lemon juice

1 1/2 Tablespoon Cajun Seasoning

1 Tablespoon horseradish, optional

- 1. In a law bowl combine slaw, shrimp, peppers and onions. Set aside.
- 2. In another bowl, combine the mayo, lemon juice, seasoning and horseradish, if using. Stir until well blended. Pour over the coleslaw and shrimp mixture and toss well.
- 3. Put in refrigerator for about 20 minutes and serve cold.