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## **Kendall County 4-H Horse Club Newsletter**

Horse Club Hotline: 888-300-8478

Website: [www.kendallcounty4H.org](http://www.kendallcounty4H.org) Updated!

Email: [kc4h@kendallcounty4h.org](mailto:kc4h@kendallcounty4h.org)

**Youth Agriculture & Equestrian Center at Joshua  
Springs Park and Preserve [www.growkidsnow.org](http://www.growkidsnow.org)**

**President & Co-Manager:** Jack Speir, DVM

**Vice President & Co-Manager:** Andra Wisian

**Treasurer:** Michelle Simpson

**Secretary:** Janice Riordan

**Board Members:** Rich Barkley, Diane Glass, Morgen Bernhard

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Karyn Simpson

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Hans Wisian

**County Extension Agents:** Stephen Zoeller, Angela Fielder, Texas Cooperative Extension



Next meeting Mon. February 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Jr.

Livestock Barn. Program will be a mini-clinic presented by club officers with topics to include ground safety, tying, grooming, health, feeding etc.

Capital campaign underway for Youth Agriculture & Equestrian Center

# [www.growkidsnow.org](http://www.growkidsnow.org)

We have launched our campaign to raise \$500,000 in dollar-for-dollar matching funds from a TX Parks and Wildlife outdoor recreation grant. We encourage our members to thoughtfully consider a contribution. All gifts, large and small, will add up and be very much appreciated. Donors also may make a pledge with a letter of commitment that is payable when the grant is funded, which would be in January, 2010. <http://growkidsnow.org/images/Donation%20letter.pdf>

There are also opportunities for benefactors to give in-kind donations <http://growkidsnow.org/images/Donation%20letter%20in%20kind.pdf>

such as:

- Building material (metal/wood products)
- Site Development material
- Concrete
- Plumbing items (faucets, spickets, toilets)
- Panels, posts, fencing, etc.
- Bleachers
- Electrical & Lighting fixtures
- Sound equipment

Our website is live and offers complete project information and on-line payment of donations. [www.growkidsnow.org](http://www.growkidsnow.org) We ask that you please tell your extended families, friends, colleagues, and business associates about the project and direct them to the website.

If you personally know a representative of a company or corporation that would be a project sponsorship candidate, please forward that information to Andra Wisian at [andra@kendallcounty4h.org](mailto:andra@kendallcounty4h.org) or Janice Riordan at [janice\\_riordan@yahoo.com](mailto:janice_riordan@yahoo.com).

## **Check out what the local press has written about our project:**

*The Boerne Star*

<http://www.boernestar.com/articles/2009/01/26/news/doc4978e29cb4998512136016.txt>

*The Hill Country View:*

[http://www.mysanantonio.com/community/hill\\_country/hill\\_country\\_view/Youth\\_Ag\\_Center\\_raising\\_funds.html](http://www.mysanantonio.com/community/hill_country/hill_country_view/Youth_Ag_Center_raising_funds.html)

*The Hill country View*

[http://www.mysanantonio.com/community/hill\\_country/Kendall\\_officials\\_tour\\_Nueces\\_fairgrounds.html](http://www.mysanantonio.com/community/hill_country/Kendall_officials_tour_Nueces_fairgrounds.html)

## **Chuckwagon Cook-off Community Service Opp March 7**

4-H Horse Club youth and parents have been asked to once again help with mounted patrol at the Chuckwagon Cook-off Saturday, March 7. Two shifts are available:

8:30 12:00 pm

12:00 – 3:30 pm

Reply to this email if you would like to sign up or you may sign up at Monday's meeting.

**Kendall County 4-H Horse Club & Texas AgriLife Extension to host Western Pleasure Clinic with Jay Jordan**

**When: Saturday, March 7**

**Where: Kendall County 4H Club Arena, Boerne, Texas**

**Time: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Tuition: \$100**

**Spectators: Free**

World champion and futurity winner, Jay Jordan will host a one day Western Pleasure and Western event clinic for all levels of riders. The clinic will review basic horsemanship that will help in all western classes—getting your horse moving all of his body on cue, stopping, guiding your horse to a finer degree and getting ready to show in all western classes. Jay will also evaluate each horse/rider team & their goals and provide some individual help for each depending upon skill level of horse and rider as well as the interest.

**FMI and to register contact:**

Debby Thomas  
debby@gvtc.com  
830-377-5864

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**Kendall County 4-H Horse Club & Texas AgriLife Extension to host Working Cowhorse/Versatility Ranch Horse with J.D. Folbre**

**When: Saturday, March 21**

**Where: Kendall County 4H Club Arena, Boerne, Texas**

**Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Tuition: \$100**

**Spectators: Free**

AQHA and APHA champion, J.D. Folbre will host a one day Working Cowhorse and Ranch Versatility Ranch Horse clinic. The clinic will cover dry work and cow work. Cattle will be provided. All riders interested in this discipline are encouraged to attend and exercises will be geared to horse and rider ability.

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**Kendall County 4-H Horse Club & Texas AgriLife Extension to host English Clinic with Kristin Barker**

**When: Saturday, March 28**

**Where: Kendall County 4H Club Arena, Boerne, Texas**

**Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**Tuition: \$30**

**Spectators: Free**

Youth equestrian, Kristin Barker will host a half-day English clinic for all levels of riders. The clinic will review basic skills for Hunter Under Saddle and Hunt Seat Equitation. Kristin has amateur status in breed associations and is donating her time for this clinic fundraiser **for the new Youth Agriculture & Equestrian Center** [www.growkidsnow.org](http://www.growkidsnow.org)

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**Kendall County 4-H Horse Club & Texas AgriLife Extension to host Barrel and Horsemanship Clinic with champion Marlene McRae**

**When: April 3, 4 & 5, 2009**

**Where: Kendall County 4H Club Arena, Boerne, Texas**

**Tuition: \$275**

**Spectators: \$35 per day; 4-H youth may audit free**

Our 4-H members have first shot at filling the clinic spots. Please contact us straight away if you would like to sign up. This clinic is open to everyone.

Barrel racing world champion and Olympic gold medalist Marlene McRae will take you through three days of riding, learning and improving to get you and your horse to an entirely new level. The goal—to make you and your horse a complete picture of success! All riding students receive t-shirts, awards and direct, one-on-one attention and training with Marlene. This clinic will be a tremendous experience for all involved learning different techniques and winning secrets all while having a great time!

Check out Marlene's web site: [www.MarleneMcRae.com](http://www.MarleneMcRae.com)

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**Horse Judging teams headed to San Antonio Livestock Expo**

Good luck to all our participants and thanks to Coach Summers and Coach Lindner for their leadership and commitment to our youth!

**Senior Team 1** Melissa Jesurun, Katelyn Marshall, Jackie Stuart, Hayley Smith

**Senior Team 2** Claire Robertson, Maddie Chavez, Dusty Drouin

**Intermediate team** Karyn Simpson, Tori Summers, Ellie Summers

**Rudy's Country Store & Bar-B-Q rewards Club's community service**

Our friends at Rudy's are awarding meal certificates to each youth member who participated in any one of the following community service and/or fundraising activities:

- Saddle Up for St. Jude
- Christmas Shoebox

- Toy Drive for Hill Country Daily Bread
- Food Drive for The Comfort Table
- Stock Show dance fundraiser for Youth Agriculture and Equestrian Center

For the past two years, Rudy's has been periodically awarding to the Horse Club these meal cards, each with a \$25 to \$30 value. In addition, Rudy's has contributed to our scholarship fund, horse judging fund and the capital campaign for the new arena. We will distribute the cards at the February meeting.

**We kindly request that you write a thank-you note to Rudy's. Here is the address:**

The Original Rudy's Country Store & Bar-B-Q  
P.O. Box 691365  
San Antonio, TX 78269  
Att: Mr. Barker, Patti and Shannon

**Kerr County 4-H Horse Club plans open 4-D barrel race**

Open 4-D Barrel Race, Kerrville  
3655 Highway 27  
Indoor Arena  
February 7, 2009  
Exhibitions 10:00 a.m. to 12: 30 p.m.  
Jackpot starts at 1:00 p.m.  
FMI Donna Hyatt 830-367-5810