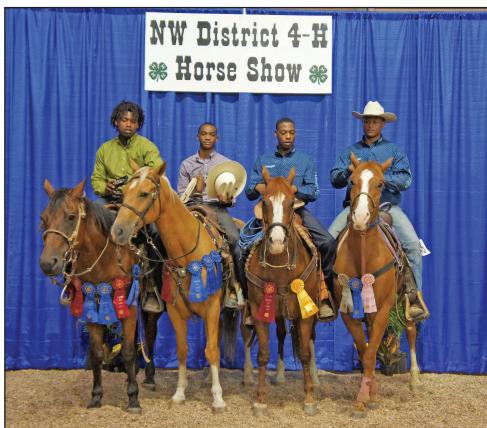
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Northwest District 4-H Horse Show











Pictured above clockwise (top left), The 4 Horsemen – Holmes County style. Roping and speed, they are good at it all. These riders shined at the Northwest District 4-H Horse Show in Tunica this past week. Pictured from the left – Jay Jay McCaskill, High Point winner; Sinatra Clayton, Trifecta winner – Poles, Barrels, Stake races; Tredell Meeks, 2nd Poles and Stakes; and Anthony Meeks, 1st in Pole Bending. Mikiah Baker is pictured with her Reserve Champion Grade Western Mare, Sunny, at the NW District 4-H Horse Show in Tunica. This was Mikiah's first year showing horses. Cin'Kyra Mosley is pictured with Reba after winning her Barrel Racing age division. She, also, took second place on Red in Pole Bending in Tunica at the NW District 4-H Horse Show. Emma Cotten is pictured on her horse, Spirit, after having won the Ranch Ground Handling event at the NW District 4-H Horse Show in Tunica. Emma and Spirit, also, placed 4th in the Ranch Riding class. Colton Howell and partner, Frosty, won the NW District 4-H Horse Show High Point Horse designation winning 1st in Goat Tying, 2nd in Pole Bending, 4th in Barrel Racing, 2nd in Stake Races, and Champion Grade Western Gelding of the Show.

(Photos by Betsy Padgett)

It had been several weeks some progress on the mainsince I last visited a favorite tenance that would have to hunting area. It was early be done before the next seaspring, and the new growth son. I usually wait until the had just started coming up. last minute and only do what I tried to get an early start absolutely must be done in on upkeep by weed-eating order to hunt. It seems evaround the barn and down a ery year I spend most of my rarely used road that led up time keeping the weeds and the hill. I was hoping to make limbs from closing in a little

more on my hunting area. And it seems I never fully accomplish that task. The paths are narrower, the site windows are smaller, and the trees keep encroaching on my once roomy spread. I wanted this year to be different, but since my last visit, I've already been taken over by vines, weeds, and limbs. It's only been a few weeks, but this has been plenty of time for the weeds to begin to choke out one of my all-time

favorite hunting areas. I'll gather up my chainsaw and weed-eater and make the trip this week. The fight for property rights is on! I know of no better picture of many lives today. Neglect has caused some of the most important things in life to be choked out. What was once maintained and protected, has now become swallowed up by so many things that have no value. What was once hallowed ground has now be-

previous activity. The weeds area you have neglected. To have become so numerous, neglect one worthless thing we simply become weed for another is of no conseonce produced. Why do we by insignificant things, it will ones. But it must be done. maintenance on the most im-Have you noticed a particular portant things in your life and area in your life that is being they will be there when you swallowed up by worthless need them the most.

come only a memory of some things? It will always be the farmers than take the effort quence, but to neglect someto eradicate them and return thing of great value will not to the worthwhile crop we only cause it to be strangled give in? Because it takes time ultimately cause you to lose and effort to rid the worthless something you may never things from the worthwhile get back. Take the time to do