



Rusk County 4-H Clover Files

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Rusk County 4-H



RUSK COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

CARLISLE 4-H CLUB

Kristan Hart 216-7076
Contact the club manager for next meeting date
for next meeting date

FULL ARMOR 4-H CLUB

Ryan McAnally 863-2284
Micah Pettit 658-4255
Contact the club manager for next meeting date
Full Armor Lunch Room

LEVERETT'S CHAPEL 4-H CLUB

Randy Tidwell- 570-4377
rtidwell@leverettschapelisd.net
Contact the club manager for next meeting date
Leverett's Chapel Ag Building

LIVESTOCK 4-H CLUB

Ryan & Jennifer Ellis 658-4404
Next meeting will be in August
Extension Meeting Room

MT. ENTERPRISE 4-H CLUB

Susan Wilson 936-554-5098
Next meeting will be in September
Mt. Enterprise Community Center

ROUND-UP 4-H CLUB

Mike O'Quinn 987-9119
Next meeting will be in August

TATUM 4-H CLUB

Katrina McKee 720-6711
Melissa Steph 812-2083
Contact the club manager for next meeting date
Tatum Housing Authority Community Center





4-H ADULT LEADER'S

MEETINGS

Meeting dates are:

August 2nd

September 6th

in the

Extension Meeting Room

Everyone please try to attend to discuss the 4-H Banquet plans and the new 4-H year!!



YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Rusk County is looking for smart young men and women to serve on its youth board. This board serves the entire county and assists the 4-H agent with educational planning for local school districts and the county programs offered through Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. If you know anyone who would make a great youth board member if you would please notify me by either phone or email I would really appreciate it.

Qualifications:

- Does not have to be a 4-H member just a member of Rusk county
 - Is 11 or older
 - Wants to make a difference in their community
 - Has a heart for serving others in their area
 - Wants to see youth empowered/or wants to be an empowered youth
 - Has the ability to make quarterly or biyearly meetings for the board
 - Wants to serve
 - Has ideas for new things in the community service idea
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United Way of Rusk County is an annual sponsor of Rusk County 4-H.



October 26 - 29, 2016

Longview, Texas

All entries are due to the Extension Office on or before September 26th.

***Junior Board member application - Contact the Extension Office**

Harvest Festival Home Economics Competition

While you are off on summer vacation start thinking about things that you can enter in the Harvest Festival Home Economics Competition this fall.

So, when you are taking photographs while on vacation take some good shots that will make good entries for competition. Or when you are baking, try some new recipes that might be good to enter this fall.

Harvest Festival will be here before you know it!



RUSK COUNTY
YOUTH PROJECT SHOW



Date for the 2017
Rusk County Youth Project Show

February 28 - March 4, 2017

Leverett's Chapel



CONNECTING THOSE WHO PROTECT US

Cell Phones For Soldiers began in 2004 as the idea of two patriotic kids who wanted to give back to the men and women who dedicate their lives to protecting us each and every day. To date the charity has provided more than 220 million *Minutes That Matter* to our troops serving around the world.



Here is how you can help!!!

- ⇒ Take your working or non-working cell phone by any one of these drop off centers:
- Rusk County Extension Office-Henderson
 - Kilgore College Student Center-Kilgore
 - Atwood's-Kilgore

Please call the Extension Office if you have any questions. 903-657-0376.



For more information call:

Archery - AJ Cook,
903-539-1505

Shotgun - Jimmy Arp
903-452-4524

4-H AGE DIVISION

If you want to compete in 4-H contests - these are the age divisions.

Junior -3rd through 5th grade
Intermediate -6th through 8th grade
Seniors - 9th through 12th grade

(Grade is based on August 31st of current 4-H year .)



Congratulations to Ashleigh Sugg for advancing to state.



ATTENTION!

LIVESTOCK JUDGING PARTICIPANTS

North Texas Fair Livestock Judging entries are due to the Extension Office by August 13th

Contest will be August 27th.

Please call the office if you have any questions.

Lunch for Tatum Police Force



Tatum 4-H will provide lunch for Tatum Police Force on August 10th at Tatum City Hall.

Any Rusk County 4-H member is welcome to assist or bring food for the lunch.

Set up starts at 10:30 a.m. at City Hall.

KPXI 100.7 FM your source for local county extension reports every weekday @ 12:30 p.m.

Monday - Grant Davis CEA-4-H
Tuesday - Jamie Sugg, CEA-Ag
Wednesday - Liz Buckner, CEA-FCS
Thursday - Jamie Sugg, CEA-Ag
Friday - Liz Buckner, CEA-FCS



<http://www.kwrdonline.com/>

Taste of Rusk County

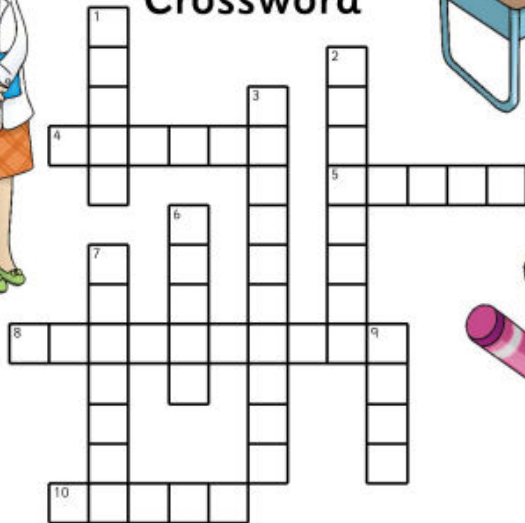
September 23rd

I would like volunteers to help promote 4-H at Taste of Rusk County. You will receive a ticket to eat at the event and it is a great community service opportunity. Please call the Extension Office for more information or to sign up.

5:30-7:30 p.m.-signup for hour long time slots



Back to School Crossword



Across

4. Do you need to sharpen yours?
5. Write or draw on this.
8. You write on this with chalk.
10. Please _____ your name on your work.

Down

1. Draw straight lines with this.
2. It has a keyboard and a screen.
3. Where you go to play at break (recess)
6. Read these at home or school.
7. They help you learn new things.
9. The teacher sits here.

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Back to School



East Texas State Fair – Creative Arts

Consider entering a project in the Creative Arts Competition of the East Texas State Fair in Tyler this year.

The catalog is online and there are many categories to choose from for both youth and adult exhibitors. Make it a family event!

Go to www.etstatefair.com and then go to “Creative Arts” for more information. Pre-registration is thru September 7th. Read more online for the details.

This fair is close to home and is a lot of fun. If your entry gets placed then it could be on display throughout the fair which runs September 23-October 2.



August

Dalton McKee	8/1
Jaxon Curnutt	8/2
Brock White	8/7
Brittany White	8/12
Dylan Broach	8/17
Kalyn Watt	8/18
Taylor McGuire	8/18
Jake Norman	8/20
Mattie Craig	8/20
Amanda Hildebrant	8/20
Cadie Meador	8/20
Makayla Thompson	8/22
Jolee Herrin	8/22
Henry Trubey	8/23
Rylan Freeman	8/29
Lillian Vowell	8/30
John Cochran III	8/30

Welcome to Texas 4-H!

Welcome to the largest youth organization in Texas! Texas has more than 550,000 youth who are involved in 4-H experiences each year and we are pleased that you have decided to join 4-H for the 2014-2015 year! If you are new to 4-H, here is some information about our enrollment process and how we need your partnership in getting your membership entered and active!

Each year on August 15th all membership in Texas 4-H goes to inactive and all youth members and adult volunteers must re-enroll. Youth members are required to pay a \$20.00 participation fee if enrolled by October 31st, and a \$25.00 fee from November 1st to the completion of the 4-H year. Adults pay a \$5.00 volunteer applicant fee starting in the 2014-2015 4-H year. Adults and youth will need to enroll on 4HConnect and be active to be considered an official member of Texas 4-H. An active enrollment is required in order to register and participate in all 4-H activities and events.

Enrollment payment methods, procedures and additional fees may vary in each county, so check with your local county Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office for more information. (counties.agrilife.org) When you are enrolling in 4-H and you arrive at the invoice/payment screen, you will be able to add your credit card information into the system or select the club/county (no personal checks allowed) check payment option. If the club/county check option is visible, please make sure you are allowed to use it. Some counties require all enrollment to be paid by credit card. If you are allowed to use the club/county check option you are responsible for writing a check to your club/county 4-H Program which in return will send a club/county check to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation. Once a payment method has been selected and enrollment submitted the payment type cannot be changed.



4HCONNECT is...

- The official Texas 4-H Youth Development Program database for enrolled 4-H members and volunteers.
- A secured database that is in compliance with the PCI Security Standards Council. The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program and the 4HOnline company work closely to monitor and ensure the highest level of protection for information stored on the system. Texas 4-H, nor 4HOnline, does not share or sell any personal information to third party vendors without your knowledge or permission.
- Based on “zero-based enrollment.” This means that each year at the start of the enrollment cycle membership in Texas 4-H goes to zero and everyone must re-enroll. This process is based on federal accounting policies.
- A partnership between the 4-H family and the county Extension Office. We encourage all 4-H families to become familiar with 4-H CONNECT in order to prevent “meltdowns” at crucial times of enrollment, animal validation or registration! Please work with the county Extension Office for any questions or problems you maybe experiencing with the system.
- NOT a database for counties/clubs/families to enter family members (i.e. siblings, grandparents, etc) that are not directly involved as a 4-H member or volunteer.



- Most questions can be answered by calling your county extension office. (counties.agrilife.org/)
- You are not a member or a volunteer of Texas 4-H until you have an ACTIVE status listed on your profile in 4-H CONNECT.
- 4-H members CANNOT register for an event/contest until the member profile is ACTIVE. If the county requires paper enrollment forms, that office has to enter enrollment information into the 4-H CONNECT system as well.
- Adult Volunteers are required to be screened through the Texas 4-H Youth Protection Standards program every three years.
- The Texas 4-H Foundation does not accept any personal checks for participation fees, animal validations or event registrations.
- A youth that is 8 years old and going into the 3rd grade must wait until September 1st to enroll for proper fees to be accessed in the system.

To help ensure your first time enrollment, or your re-enrollment, is as easy as possible, this document has been developed to lead you through the process. Please read and contact your county Extension Office if you have any questions prior to you beginning the enrollment process. (counties.agrilife.org/)



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EXTENSION



Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.



INSTRUCTIONS



1. Access the 4-H CONNECT on-line system at: <https://texas.4honline.com/>
2. **New Members:** Select [I need to set up a profile].
Returning Members: Select [I have a profile] or [I forgot my password].
Contact County Extension Office for resetting assistance.
3. **New Members:** Select Adult or Youth from the drop down menu and click [Add Member].
Returning Members: Click [Edit] to the right of the inactive member's profile.
4. Once all profile information is current and correct under the Personal Information, Additional Information, Health Form, and Participation areas of enrollment continue to the Invoice page.
5. Review your invoice to ensure that the participation fee has been charged and it is correct. If you have been awarded an award certificate or a scholarship to cover your participation fee, enter the award code in the award code box. Once information has been reviewed, click continue to the Payment screen.
6. **New Members:** If you are new to 4-H, you can add your credit card payment information to 4-H CONNECT and it will be securely stored. Click the orange [Add New Credit Card] link if paying with credit card or select the county club check option.
Returning Members: If the credit card on file has been updated you will need to remove it and add the credit card again using the new information.
7. Select the appropriate method of payment by clicking on the correct button, then click [Select Payment Method.]
8. On the "Confirm page" each person will be required to click the [Pay By Computer Terms and Conditions]. Click [Submit Enrollment]
9. Once an enrollment (new member) or re-enrollment (returning member) has been submitted, it is sent to the county office for review and approval. Once approved and paid for, an email confirmation will be sent to the family email address. Payment by 4-H Check can take up to 2 weeks to process. An active membership status **WILL NOT** be granted until participation fees have been received and marked as paid.

4HConnect Instruction pages can be found online at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/connect>

NEW MEMBERS

- Set up **only one (1) FAMILY profile household on 4-H CONNECT.**
- Write down and place in a secure location the email address and password for the account. Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance in resetting the account.
- Add individual youth and adult profiles (members) in your family profile. Adult/Youth and family profiles must be entered for an enrollment to be reviewed and accepted.

RETURNING MEMBERS

- **DO NOT** establish another family or member profile on 4-H CONNECT if you already have one in the system.
 - Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance with the email or password if forgotten.
 - When you access your profile to re-enroll **REVIEW YOUR PROFILE VERY CAREFULLY.** Incorrect information can create problems for you, your family, and the Extension Office when trying to communicate, accessing appropriate fees, acquiring school absences, etc.



Aubrey Ellis and McKenzie Brightwell competed in the Texas Junior Brahman State Show in Bryan and the American Junior Brahman National Show in West Monroe this summer and their awards are listed below:

McKenzie won the poster contest at both state and nationals and Overall Poster at nationals.

Aubrey was named all around Junior Champion at both state and nationals and she was named Junior Champion showman at nationals.



Aubrey Ellis and McKenzie Brightwell

McKenzie Brightwell



Outdoor Challenge—Seguin, Texas



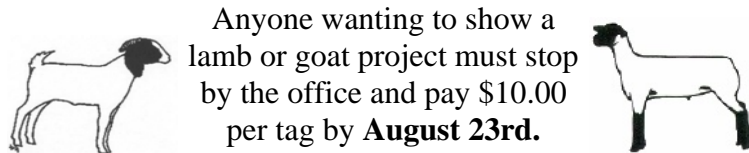
Asa Cook and Rhett Paul won 3rd place in the junior division.



Outdoor Challenge participants were: (L-R back row) Kole Jordan, Turner Sugg and Asa Cook. (Front Row) Eli Arp, Bryce Borders and Rhett Paul



!!!Major Lamb & Goat Tag Order!!!



Anyone wanting to show a lamb or goat project must stop by the office and pay \$10.00 per tag by **August 23rd.**

Breeding Sheep tags \$5.00/head

The date for validation of spring major show lambs and goats will be October.

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS®

Livestock Entry Deadline
All State Fair Livestock entries due to Extension Office by August 25th.



Entry forms will be available on the State Fair of Texas website: www.bigtex.com or at the Extension Office.

Call the Extension Office if you have any questions.

Until next time —

Grant Davis



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 Rusk County

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Jamie Sugg

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