



Rusk County 4-H Clover Files

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<u>CARLISLE 4-H CLUB</u>	Kristan Hart	216-7076
<u>FULL ARMOR 4-H CLUB</u>	Micah Pettit Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Full Armor Lunch Room	658-4255
<u>LEVERETT'S CHAPEL 4-H CLUB</u>	Randy Tidwell- rtidwell@leverettschapelisd.net 2nd Monday, 6:00 p.m. Leverett's Chapel Ag Building	570-4377
<u>LIVESTOCK 4-H CLUB</u>	Ryan & Jennifer Ellis 3rd Monday, 6:00 p.m. Extension Meeting Room	658-4404
<u>ROUND-UP 4-H CLUB</u>	Carey Murphy 3rd Sunday, 2:00 p.m. Pirtle Methodist Church-Overton	880-8148
<u>TATUM 4-H CLUB</u>	Katrina McKee Melissa Steph 3rd Monday, 6:30 p.m. Tatum I.S.D. Community Room	720-6711 812-2083



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Rusk County Youth Project Show

May I Have Your Attention Please

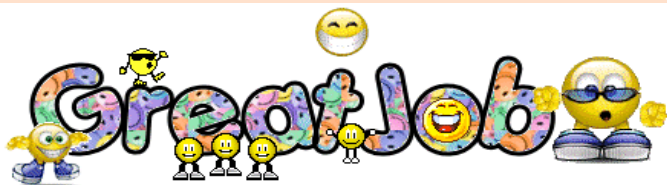
Attention RCYPS Steer Exhibitors

If you are feeding a county-bred steer for the 2018 Rusk County Youth Project Show, make sure you fill out a county-bred steer verification form so that you will be eligible for premiums that will be awarded by the Extension Ag & Natural Resources Committee at the 2018 Show. These forms are available at the Extension Office.

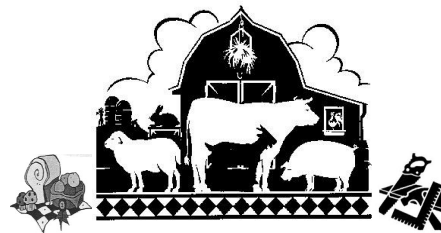
Forms are due to the Extension Office by October 27th



Aubrey Ellis
FIRST PLACE — PUBLIC SPEAKING



RUSK COUNTY YOUTH PROJECT SHOW



February 27 - March 3, 2018

If you plan on showing steers, commercial heifers, lambs, goats or pigs at Rusk County Youth Project Show in March 2018 you need to validate/enter your project on the following dates:

Lambs and Goats - December 2nd 8-10 am Expo

Hogs and Breeding Gilts - December 2nd 8-10 am Expo
(Superintendent also needs to know if any PeeWee has their own hog in order to reserve a pen for that hog)

Breeding Heifers - December 2nd 8-10 am (you only need to bring your entry cards and entry fee, not the animal)

Roasters - order forms are due November 13th, entry cards and entry fees are due at pick up on December 22nd
Wingband numbers are due December 23rd

Broilers - orders are due December 11th Entry cards and entry fees are due at pick up on January 18th Wingband numbers are due January 19th

Shop and Creative Arts - January 11th 4-6 pm Expo

Market and Breeding Rabbits - February 11th 8-10 am
Henderson Ag Dept

Breeding Goats - January 27th 8-10 am Henderson Ag Dept
(you only need to bring your entry cards and entry fee, not the animal)

Dairy Cattle - January 27th 8-10 am Henderson Ag Dept
(you only need to bring your entry card and entry fee, not your animal)

PeeWee - January 27th 8-10 am Henderson Ag Dept (only bring entry card and entry fee, you do not have to bring your animal)

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!



Henderson Syrup Festival
is November 11th

Syrup Festival Hayride Shuttle

It's here!! We hope everyone has left November 11th open to come and work at the Hayride Shuttle.

You need to sign up now so that we have the morning and afternoon shifts covered well!

Call now and get the shift you want.

Need Workers for the following:

**Money takers, hand stampers, trailer riders,
drivers and unloaders**

If you would like to **drive and/or have a flat bed trailer to haul behind trucks or if you have a ball hitch**, please bring it with you, we will mark it and make sure it gets back to you. Please call the Extension Office and we will put your name on the list.

For those of you helping out that day please read the following:

1. If you have a 4-H T-shirt please wear it.
2. **Saturday morning, November 11th meet at Boatecycle Chemical, 219 North Van Buren St., Henderson at 8:00 a.m.**
3. You need to call and sign up for a shift of 1/2 day or all day. We have a schedule and we will fill the working spot on first come first serve. So call today and pick your time and spot to work.
4. We should have no more than 2 members per trailer. If you need somewhere to work, contact the Extension Office. We will have two pickup and drop off stops and at each area. You can take money, stamp hands or help out in other ways. Just come ready to work!!! We always have a lot of fun and each club member can make money for their club.
5. Sign in!!! -- you must sign in and sign out in order to be counted. You must work all day (8 hours) or 1/2 day (4 hours) to be counted. There will be sign in sheets at the downtown loading and at the Depot loading.
6. Call the Extension Office if you have any questions.



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.)**

4-H Food and Nutrition, Fashion, and Consumer Intro Workshop



Recently,
we were informed
about details concerning
the above
2018 district contests.
Stay Tuned.



**We are working on scheduling workshop
dates and county contest dates
which will be featured in the
November Newsletter**



Registration forms and complete schedule available at the Extension Office.

Ready, Set.... Show!



TEXAS A&M
AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION

**9th Annual East Texas Show Star Series
Beef, Lamb & Goat Clinic and Show
November 11 - 12, 2017**

George H. Henderson Expo Center, Lufkin

**Registration Due: Oct 27
\$30 per Beef, Lamb, Goat**

\$15 per parent

Late fees assessed after Oct 27

**Nov 11 - Showmanship
& Education for
Beef, Lamb, Goat**

**Nov 12 - Prospect Show
Beef, Lamb, Goat**

Contact for more information:

Show Coordinator:	Jo Smith	936-544-7502
Beef Cattle:	Lane Dunn	936-598-7744
Sheep:	Jamie Sugg	903-657-0376
Goat:	Cary Sims	936-634-6414
Early Arrival:	Ryan Merrel	936-634-6414

<http://agrilife.org/etsss/>



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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! 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!

4-H ENROLLMENT: Each year on August 14th all membership in Texas 4-H goes to inactive and all youth 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 \$10.00 volunteer applicant fee. 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 Program. *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.

DID YOU KNOW?

- 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 Program 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/)



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.

4HCONNECT 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.



October 25 - 28, 2017

Longview, Texas

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2017

7:00-8:00 a.m.- Rabbit scales open to exhibitors
8:30 a.m.- Rabbit weigh-in/check-in/Show...release of non-sale rabbits following the Show (One day show...No rabbit cages available)
2:00-8:00 p.m.- Weighing & Sifting Market Swine as they are unloaded
4:00 to 8:00 p.m.- Check in of all livestock entries (except Prospect Steers, Heifers, and Poultry) at Fairgrounds. Check in of Ag Mechanic entries and All Home Economic entries at the Maude Cobb Activity Center
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.- Lamb and Goat weigh-in
8:00 p.m.- All entries in place

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017

7:30 a.m.- Roaster/Broiler sift & check-in (No poultry cages available. Poultry will go directly from the show ring to the truck)
9:00 a.m.- Market Swine Judging
Market Steer weights due to Beef Superintendent and Early Heifer Check in
Poultry Show...Roaster show followed by Broiler show
10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Home Economics Judging
12:00 p.m.- Ag Mechanics Judging
2:00 p.m. - Public Viewing of Home Economics Divisions.
Release of non-sale swine following completion of sale order selection and pictures
3:00 p.m.. - 6:00 p.m. - All Home Economics entries (no edible food items will be returned) can be checked out and picked up
8:00 p.m.- Gates closed Thursday and will remain closed until after the Cattle Show

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2017

8:00 a.m.- Lamb Judging, followed by Meat Goat Judging
All sale lambs/goats will be moved to swine barn after sale order and pictures
2:00 p.m.- Market Steer Judging in the Cattle Show Arena
Non sale animals should be removed from fairgrounds after the steer show

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017

Open Heifer Show-Steer Show Jackpot, open to everyone, enter online at <http://harv.fairmanager.com/> or enter morning of the show.
6:30 a.m. until 7:30 a.m. Prospect Steer and Heifer Check In
Release of any remaining animals (except sale animals) only after the Cattle Show concludes
8:00 a.m. Heifer Jackpot Show begins, Steer Jackpot Show begins immediately following the heifer show

5:00 p.m. Buyers Dinner and exhibition of Champions at the Maude Cobb Convention Center

6:00 p.m. Sale and exhibition of Champions at the Maude Cobb Convention Center

DON'T FORGET TO ATTEND
THE HARVEST FESTIVAL
BUYERS DINNER AND SALE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017
MAUDE COBB ACTIVITY CENTER
BUYERS DINNER—5:00 P.M.
SALE 6:00 P.M.

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.



Entry Deadlines Approaching!!!



Entry deadline for major shows (Houston, San Antonio, STAR, San Angelo): **November 27th**

Fort Worth Entry Deadline: **November 13th**

Star of Texas Fair & Rodeo

Dates of Major Shows:

San Angelo: February 2-18

Houston Livestock Show: February 27—March 18

San Antonio: February 7-25

Fort Worth: January 13-February 3

STAR: March 10—24



!Attention Calf Scramblers!

The time is near for eligible 4-H members to register for several calf scrambles to be held at the major stock shows of Texas. Parents and youth should make sure that they will be able to commit to participate in the major show in question the following year. They have to be willing to invest the money, time, and transportation of themselves and their project to their respective show.



Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo January 13 –February 3

- Purchase certificate value of \$500
 - Certificates used to purchase a breeding beef or dairy heifer
1. Entry applications will also be available on the Stock Show website fwssr.com on **October 1**.
 2. Entries are sent directly to the show.
 3. Entries accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.
 4. Each County 4-H Program is limited to a maximum of six entries.

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo February 27—March 18

- Purchase certificate value of \$1,500
 - Certificates used to purchase a breeding beef or dairy heifer or market steer
 - Must show the animal in the 2018 Houston Livestock Show
1. Online entry applications will be available on the Livestock Show website hlsr.com from **October 1** through December 1.
 2. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo March 10—24

- Ultimate Scramble Championship
- Purchase certificate value of at least \$1000 while others could be awarded \$1,500, \$2,000, \$2,500, or \$5,000
- Certificates used to purchase market or breeding animals.
- Must show the animal in the 2018 Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo.
- Entries begin **October 1** directly to the show.
- Entry fee is \$25.

White Chocolate Ghosts

Ingredients

- 12 ounces white chocolate chips
- 1 1/2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- Lollipop sticks
- Mini chocolate chips



Directions

Line a baking sheet with waxed paper; set aside.

Melt white chocolate in a heat-proof bowl over simmering water; stir occasionally. Remove bowl; mix in oil. Drop 1 tablespoon of mixture onto prepared baking sheet. Use the back of a teaspoon to quickly spread into a ghost. Place a lollipop stick at the base, spinning to coat. Add chocolate chip eyes. Refrigerate ghosts 5 minutes, then peel off.



Freaky Frankenstein Family Treats

Give your family a fright with these candy-topped Halloween cookies. For extra spooky fun, have each person create their own likeness.

To make, follow these steps:

Cut a variety of shapes from your favorite rolled [sugar cookie](#) or shortbread dough and bake as directed.

1. Spread a thin layer of green frosting onto the main part of each cookie to form the face.
2. Use brown icing and various candy pieces to add frightening facial features.
3. For the final touch, secure peanut butter cups to the sides of each cookie for Frankenstein flair.



United Way of Rusk County is an
annual sponsor of Rusk County 4-H.



4-H ADULT LEADERS
and
COUNTY COUNSEL

Date and Time of Meeting
T.B.A.

dates to remember

Rusk County Youth Project
Show

February 27 - March 3, 2018

Halloween 10/31/2017

Daylight Savings Time Ends 11/05/2017

Election Day 11/07/2017

Veteran's Day 11/11/2017

Thanksgiving Day 11/23/2017

Extension Office
closed on
11/10 & 11/23-24



KPXI 100.7 FM your source for local
county extension reports every weekday
@ 8:00 a.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/>



Until next time —

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