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## March 2010 Edition

### County Council

The next county council meeting will be held on **March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30**. We will have a program by Wendy Scott on our service learning project for Leaders 4 Life. District Council officer applications will be due on May 1<sup>st</sup> this year and will be coming out soon. The elections will be held at State Roundup again this year.

### The Great 8

This is a workshop being put on by Texas Tech Collegiate 4-H on **March 27<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 - 2:00. Cost is \$25 which includes t-shirt, lunch and a workbook or \$15 which includes t-shirt and lunch. Registration is due March 8<sup>th</sup>. This is a leadership workshop focused on the book "Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens." This is highly recommended for all Council members but is open to all youth that would like to participate. If you are interested contact me for a registration form.

### Roundup

It's not too early to be thinking about roundup events. Roundup events include entomology, educational presentations, share-the-fun and grass ID. If you are interested in any of these events please call the office to sign up. County Roundup has been tentatively set for April 12<sup>th</sup> and District is **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. Entries will be due **April 15<sup>th</sup>**.

### Club Meetings

**Levelland-** March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 at ABC Elementary  
**Sundown-** TBA contact Lori Holdman  
**Ropes-** TBA contact DeLinda Hicklen  
**Whitharral-** March 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 at school cafeteria  
**Smyer-** TBA contact Lana Shaw  
**Shotgun Club-** Safety meeting and practices will be scheduled soon. Look for updates from Dawn Chaney or if you have questions contact her at: [dacttu@hotmail.com](mailto:dacttu@hotmail.com)

### Adult Leaders Association

The next Adult Leaders Association meeting will be March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at the office. We will be making plans for spring and summer contests and events.

### National 4-H Congress

National 4-H Congress will be in Atlanta, Georgia on November 25-30, 2010. The program will touch youth issues, leadership, appreciating diversity and community service learning. Those senior members interested must fill out an application online through 4-H Connect by April 16<sup>th</sup>. For more information on attending National Congress go online at [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/natcongress/index\\_youth\\_natcongress.php](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/natcongress/index_youth_natcongress.php)

If you have questions about any information in this newsletter contact the Hockley County Extension Agents at 894-3159.

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## Entomology ID

The Entomology contest consists of four members per team, or individual of Jr., Intermediate, or Seniors who identify insects by common and family names. The team also takes a test on their knowledge of insects. Practice for the Entomology Contest will begin on **March 9 for intermediate and senior level 4-H members from 4-5:30** at the Extension office in Levelland. **The juniors will begin on March 11** and will meet from **4-5** at the Extension office. The study materials have changed for all age groups this year. An update in terminology for all ages has occurred and the junior material will hopefully be much more enjoyable. So if you have questions give Kerry a call at 894-2406 or 638-5635.



**Juniors will meet 4-5 pm: March 11, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29**

**Intermediates and Seniors will meet 4-5:30 pm: March 9, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 20, and 27**

**District contest is May 1.**

## Horse Project

Anyone that is interested in participating in the district or state horse show will need to contact me to get your horses validated by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The District 2 Horse Show will be held on **June 15<sup>th</sup>**. The 2010 State Team Roping School will be held at South Plains College on **June 24<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>**. 4-H'ers 12-18 years old can participate. If you are interested call the office for an application.

## Texas 4-H Golf Challenge

This new contest will be held in Lubbock at Meadowbrook golf course on June 17<sup>th</sup>. For more

information go to <http://d24-h.tamu.edu/>

## Livestock Judging

If you are interested in Livestock judging contact Chris. There will be a judging contest at South Plains College on **April 9<sup>th</sup>**, and at Clarendon on **March 27<sup>th</sup>** and at Texas Tech on **March 25<sup>th</sup>**. District contest will be on **April 17<sup>th</sup>**.

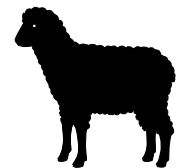
Contests besides district have registration fees plus scantron fees. Many also require pre-registration. It is your responsibility to sign up early and to bring enough money for the event.

Texas Tech is also hostin at Livestock Judging camp May 30- June 1. Cost is \$225 and application is due May 1<sup>st</sup>. Application is available at [www.afs.ttu.edu](http://www.afs.ttu.edu).

## 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Course

This course is designed to equip outstanding students with the knowledge to help other 4-H'ers with their projects and is for youth ages 14 and older. It will be college level animal science curriculum of sheep, goats, swine and cattle production as it relates to the show ring. It will be taught by Texas Tech faculty, extension agents, breeders and project leaders. Cost is **\$75** which includes meals and lodging and will be July **26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>**. Deadline to apply is June 24<sup>th</sup> and application can be found at <http://www.afs.ttu.edu>.

## Lamb and Goat

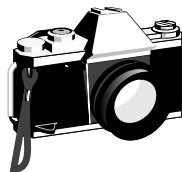


Anyone wanting to exhibit lambs or goats at the 2010 State Fair of Texas will need to order validation tags by **April 9<sup>th</sup>**. District wool judging will be on **April 20<sup>th</sup>** with entries due **April 16<sup>th</sup>**.

Howard College is sponsoring a Lamb Camp June 6-8. Cost is \$85. They are also sponsoring a goat camp June 13-15. Cost is \$85. If you are interested contact the office for an application.

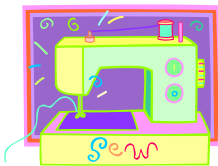
## Photography

County photography contest will be on **March 29<sup>th</sup>**. Photos do not need to be mounted for the county contest. First place winners in the junior and intermediate divisions will need to be mounted for the district contest and entries made on 4-H Connect by **April 1<sup>st</sup>**. Classes are: people, animals, still life, natural landscape, plant/flora, architectural elements and theme. All have black/white and color divisions. There is also a special effects/ creative effects class. The 2009-2010 theme will be “**The Four Season’s of Texas.**” 4-H members are allowed to submit photograph’s focusing on the four (fall, winter, spring, and summer) seasons of the year in Texas. Photographs can include shots of the landscape, people, flowers, etc depicting one of the four seasons. Photographs cannot be dually entered into another as well as this one (i.e. landscape photo cannot be entered into theme as well as landscape). Visit the District 2 4-H website <http://d24-h.tamu.edu/> for the complete photography packet.



## Fashion Show

The District Fashion Show will be on **April 13<sup>th</sup>** at the Abernathy elementary school with registration beginning at 5:30. 4-H Connect deadline and narratives are due on March 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are planning to enter the Fashion Show you must sign up in the office by **March 15<sup>th</sup>**. The divisions for seniors are buying and construction with categories in casual, dressy, formal and specialty. The divisions for juniors and intermediates are buying, construction, and embellished/recycled with categories in casual, dressy, and specialty.



We have the opportunity to participate with Lamb county in their county fashion show on **March 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 4:00 in Littlefield. This will be an excellent practice and if there is any competition in any category then you must participate in this event. Senior construction worksheets are due March 31<sup>st</sup>. There are new rules regarding Natural Fiber competition. If you are interested in being a narrator at the district Fashion Show please contact me soon for details. For the complete Fashion Show guide visit the District 2 website at <http://d24-h.tamu.edu/>.

## Let’s Go Camping!

Information about all of the camps located at the Texas 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood can be found at <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu> All registration will be through 4-H Connect. ***Please pay for your camps with your credit/debit card or by check.***



**Prime Time-** Two sessions are offered, one for 9-11 year olds (July 28-31) and one for 12-13 year olds (July 25-28). Applications are currently being accepted. The total cost is \$210 and registration closes July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Leader Lab

June 1-3 at South Plains College. This camp is for junior 4-H members ages 9-13 at the time of camp. Cost is \$132 and will be first come first served on 4-H Connect beginning **March 29<sup>th</sup>**. Last year it filled up very fast! Camp packet can be found at <http://d24-h.tamu.edu> Counselor applications are due **April 1<sup>st</sup>**.

### Electric camp

June 28- July 2<sup>nd</sup>. - Electric camp is for 4-H’ers ages 13-19. Details are coming soon.

### Shooting Sports Camp

For ages 9-11 and is June 2-6 and ages 12-14 is June 20-24 at the Texas 4-H Conference Center.

### **Texas Brigades Wildlife Leadership Camps**

Offerings include bobwhite, buckskin, bass and feathered forces. Youth ages 13-17 and also adults wishing to chaperone can get more info. at [www.texasbrigades.org](http://www.texasbrigades.org)

### **Food Challenge Contest Results**

#### **Junior/Intermediate Teams**

Kimberly Albus, Kevin Albus, Tessa Ferguson and Addie Grant- 1<sup>st</sup> place Bread and Cereal

Caleb Johnson, Rebecca Lee, John Sharp, Lindsey Sharp and BaLeigh Pugh- 4<sup>th</sup> place Nutritious Snacks

#### **Senior Team**

Ashlen Albus, Deborah Albus, Shelby Hicklen, Tyrel Ferguson and Lexi Pinkert- 1<sup>st</sup> place Nutritious Snacks

Congratulations to all the exhibitors at the major stock shows! You have represented Hockley County very well. March promises to be as busy as February has been. We have a lot of activities planned as well as preparing for Roundup competitions. Don't hesitate to call the office if we can help you with any of your projects. Have a good Spring Break!

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