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County Council

The next county council activity will be on **May 16th**. We will be hosting Carpenter's Kitchen in Lubbock. We will need to be there at 9:15. If you will need a ride let me know. I will send a letter with details of what to bring and directions.

Award Applications

Award applications will be due by **July 12th** and award interviews will be on **August 2nd** at 3:00. You can pick up applications in the office or send your e-request and we can send to you by e-mail. Questions for award interviews are also available to help you prepare. You must complete a recordbook or a member achievement plan to be eligible for awards.

Record books

Record books are just around the corner. If you have questions or need help with a record book please contact me and I will schedule a time for a training. We also need help from leaders in judging books on a county and district level. There will be a training on **June 16th** in Lubbock. It will also be recorded if you can't make this date. Judging record books also gives you a good opportunity to learn more about other books and get ideas. Recordbooks are due in the office by

5:00 on **June 28th**. This is also when we will have county judging. Please submit a black and white copy of your recordbook as well for reference purposes.

Club Meetings

Levelland- no meeting

Ropes- TBA, contact DeLinda Hicklen

Shotgun Sports Club- Sunday afternoons at 3:00 at South Plains Gun Club; District Shoot is June 25 & 26 (Post/Seminole) & State Shoot is July 20-24

Smyer- May 15th, 6:00 - 8:00, Main Event

Sundown- May 13th, 6:00 p.m. at Rockin' H BBQ

Whitharral- May 11th, 6:30 p.m. at school

Early Settlers' Day

We will **not** be having the project fair at Early Settlers' Day this year. However we will still be in charge of the stick horse and turtle races on **July 10th**. We need some volunteers to help with that. Please call me if you can help.

Texas 4-H Golf Challenge

This new contest will be held in Lubbock at Meadowbrook golf course on June 17th. For more information go to <http://d24-h.tamu.edu/>

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

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Agriculture Projects

Steer Validation

Steer validation will be held on **Monday, June 28th at CPR Cattle Co.** This is where we had to move to last year because of the rain. Validation will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude by noon. This will be the last possible date for validation. If you have any conflicts you need to contact us now.

Beef 706 Youth Program

This event will be held at Texas Tech University and is free of charge. Some activities include: feedyard tour, market steer evaluation, grade & fabricate carcasses, tour local grocery store, food safety demonstration, and packing plant tour. I will be able to take youth on the second session- **July 22-23.** This is for high school age youth. Contact me if you are interested.

Horse Project

The District 2 Horse Show will be held on **June 15th.**

The 2010 State Team Roping School will be held at South Plains College on **June 24th - 27th.** 4-H'ers 12-18 years old can participate. If you are interested call the office for an application.

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 26th-**

28th. Deadline to apply is June 24th and application can be found at <http://www.afs.ttu.edu>.

Family and Consumer Sciences

Fashion Show Results

Courtney Chaney- 1st place Senior Buying Casual
Deborah Albus- 2nd place senior Buying Dressy
Ashlen Albus- 1st place Senior Buying Formal
BaLeigh Pugh- Jr. Buying Casual participant

2010 Project Fair

The 2010 Project Fair will be held in conjunction with the Hockley County Ag Expo on Sept. **21st** at the Hockley County Fairgrounds. The format will be the same as last year. We will set up and enter projects the evening before and they will be judged on the 21st. If you want to enter crafts in the South Plains Fair we will need to know when you enter because we will be taking them from the Project Fair straight to the SPF. We will be auctioning the best of show baked items and other baked items will be in a bake sale as normal.

District 2 4-H Clothing Extravaganza

This Extravaganza is hosted by the District 2 state qualifying fashion show participants and will be held on **May 15th** starting at 9:00 in Lubbock. Sessions include: Foot Tech, Community Service at Salvation Army (bring donations), Comparison Shopping Scavenger Hunt (bring digital camera if available), Texas Tech Institute of Environmental and Human Health. Lunch will be on your own and you will need to call the office to RSVP by **May 13th.**

4-H Project Tours/Officer Training

Wildlife & Fisheries- June 23rd

Clothing/Food and Nutrition- July 7th

Officer Training- July 20th

Mark these dates on your calendar. More information will be available later.

Texas 4-H Congress

This is a 4 day mock legislative event held in Austin at the Capitol July 11-14th for 4-H members ages 15-18. Cost is \$275 plus travel, which is arranged by the district. If you are interested you need to contact me because there is a quota system for each county. This is a great opportunity that happens every two years.

4-H Rally Day- August 12th More Details to Come Soon!!!

2010 Brisket Cook

This year's brisket cook fund-raiser will be on June 30th and briskets will need to be picked up/delivered on Thursday July 1st. Each club needs to try to sell 20 briskets. Please keep me updated on the number of briskets that you have sold as we get closer to time. There are opportunities to help in many areas including cooking, wrapping the next morning and everyone's favorite cleanup and return cookers. Cost will be \$35.

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 3rd.

Electric camp

June 28- July 2nd. - Electric camp is for 4-H'ers ages 13-19 in Cloudcroft, NM. Cost is \$140.

Registration reopened until May 7th!

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

There are many other camps available, if you would like more information on any of them please contact me. They include: Youth Range workshop, State Youth Water Camp, Sportfishing Camp, West Texas Youth Veterinary Science Workshop, Texas 4-H Outdoor Challenge, 4-H Healthy Lifestyles Camp, and Aggie Land Lamb and Goat Camp.

4-H Contest Results

Livestock Judging

Jr- Riley Reep- 4th in Beef & 8th High Overall

Int.- Tessa Ferguson (1st Swine), Matthew Pinkert and Peyton Newsom; 2nd place team in Swine

Sr.- Alexis Pinkert

Wool Judging

Int.- Abby Hoelscher (2nd Placings), Addie Grant (3rd Rail), Kimberly Albus (3rd High Overall), 2nd

High Team Overall; participants- Matthew Pinkert, Kevin Albus

Sr.- Sutton Hoelscher (2nd Placings), Blake Grant (3rd Placings); Ryan Pendergrass, Ryan Lorenz & Sutton Hoelscher- 1st team in placings, 3rd in Rail and 2nd overall; Blake Grant, Corey Nickelson, Logan Stone & Alexis Pinkert- 3rd team in placings, 2nd in Rail and 3rd Overall.

Adult Leaders Association

The adult leaders association will have a brief meeting at county recordbook judging on **June 28th**.



Summer is approaching quickly and we have many opportunities available for you to get involved in. I am very proud of all the kids that have participated in district contests over the past couple of months. It has been a great year, let's keep it up. A big thank you to all of our project and adult leaders. Your willingness to help is wonderful and all could not be accomplished without your support!

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