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Silent Auction

We will be having a silent auction at the Hockley County Stock Show for a fund raiser. Each club needs to be responsible for donating \$100 worth of items for the silent auction. This can be several items or one, it is up to each club. Let's get creative and keep this fund-raiser going!

Club Meetings

Check with your club manager-Some clubs will not meet due to stock shows in January and/or February.

Tooter Smith Scholarship Applications

The Tooter Smith Scholarship applications will be handed out during the Hockley County Stock Show. You must be attending South Plains College to be eligible for this scholarship. If you are interested let us know and we will help you get an application.

4-H Foundation Scholarships

4-H Foundation Scholarships will be due to the Hockley County Extension office on **February 4, 2011**. There will also be an opportunity to turn it in to the district office for revisions toward the end of **January**. I strongly encourage you to turn it in

for revisions. If you turn in a 4-H scholarship you will also be eligible for the local TEEA scholarship and the Adult Leaders Scholarship if you are attending South Plains College. Interviews will be held May 13-15 and everyone that is given an interview will receive a scholarship which will be awarded during Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station on June 13th.

Stock Show Concession Stand Schedule

Wednesday

7:00 to 1:00	Ropesville
1:00 to close	Smyer

Thursday

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Friday

All Day	Sundown
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Saturday

Sale	Levelland
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Each club is responsible for at least 6 dozen snacks. Brownies and Rice Krispy Treats individually wrapped and cookies 3 to a package. Please bring Wednesday morning or Tuesday to the office (can bring with silent auction item)

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

The 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood is accepting applications for summer camp staff if you are 18 or older. Also, we will NOT be participating in county camp this year, however there are other camping opportunities at the 4-H center available including Prime Time and Spectra. You can find more details on their website at <http://texas4h-ctr.tamu.edu>. All camps at the 4-H Center are entered through 4-H Connect.

Food Challenge

The Food Challenge contest will be on **February 24th** at Texas Tech University College of Human Sciences building. Check-in for juniors/intermediates is at 4:15 and check in for seniors is at 5:30. 4-H Connect deadline is **February 11th**. This is a team contest, with juniors and intermediates competing together. If you are interested you need to talk to your club manager so teams can be organized and practices will begin soon.

Fashion Show

The District Fashion Show will be on **April 12th**. 4-H Connect deadline and narratives are due on **March 23rd**. If you are planning to enter the Fashion Show you must sign up in the office by **March 15th**. If there is competition then we will have a county contest to determine who will advance to the district contest. If you want to enter the new Fashion Storyboard contest, they are due on **March 22nd**.

Photography

County photography contest will be on **March 21st**. Photos do not need to be mounted for the county contest. First place winners in the junior and intermediate divisions will need to be make entries made on 4-H Connect by **March 25th**.

More details on the submission process of district entries will be available soon. Classes are: people, animal- wildlife, animal- domestic, marine/aquatic, elements of design, nature & landscape, plant/flora, details & macro, digital darkroom, night photography, food, dominant color, catch all, and theme (2011 theme is colors). There are also changes to the submission process for seniors. They will be submitted electronically. Visit the District 2 4-H website <http://d24-h.tamu.edu/> for the complete photography packet available soon.

Health Regulations

(check each shows handbook for specifics on health papers and any new changes available)

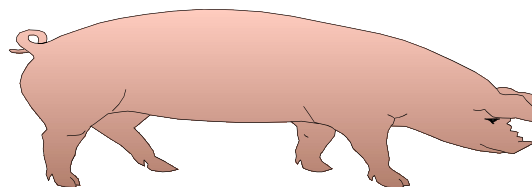
Houston- Health papers not required for market animals. Health papers are required for breeding animals.

Fort Worth- Health papers are required for all market and breeding animals.

San Antonio- Health papers not required for market animals. Health papers are required for breeding animals.

San Angelo- Health papers not required for market animals. Health papers are required for breeding animals.

Austin- Health papers not required for market animals. Health papers are required for breeding animals.



PLEASE NOTE!! ALL PASSES FOR STOCK SHOWS NEED TO BE PICKED UP AT THE OFFICE AHEAD OF TIME. NO PASSES WILL BE HANDED OUT AT SHOWS. WE HOPE TO HAVE THESE ALL READY BY COUNTY SHOW DEPENDING ON WHEN WE RECEIVE SAN ANTONIO. ALSO, STOCK SHOW BOOKS WITH SCHEDULES AND WEIGHT BREAKS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE.

Hockley County Stock Show



Wednesday, Jan. 19

- 7:30 - 8 a.m. Goat Weigh-in
- 8:00 - 9 a.m. Lamb Weigh-in
- 9 a.m. Goat Show
- Market Lamb Show to follow goat show
- 1:30 p.m. Barrow Weigh-in, or 30 minutes after Lamb Show
- 5 p.m. Steer & Heifer Weigh-in
- 5 p.m. Rabbit Check-in
- 5:45 p.m. Presentation 4-H Princesses
- 6:00 p.m. Rabbit Show

Thursday, Jan. 20

- 9 a.m. Barrow Show

Friday, Jan. 21

- 10 a.m. Heifer Show
- 1 p.m. Steer Show

Saturday, Jan. 22

- 11:30 a.m. Buyers Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Awards & Sale (Levelland High School)

State 4-H Council Community Service Opportunity

The State 4-H Council is sponsoring a community service drive for Breedlove Foods, Inc. They are a non-profit organization that is dedicated to feeding the hungry. The best way to help Breedlove Foods is with a monetary donation. There are many things you can do within your club to raise money. Some of these include: recycling, bake sale, car wash, Penny War and many others. There is a competition between districts to see who can raise the most money and the winner will be recognized at state roundup. All money will need to be turned into the district office by **May 6th**.

Healthy Lifestyles District Contest

There will be a Healthy Lifestyles district contest this year after District Roundup on **May 7th**. This is an invitational contest at state for intermediates and seniors so it is non-qualifying, but will be a great practice for those wanting to participate. We will also have a junior contest at district. There will also be a project leader training for those who want to learn more about the contest during the district Food Challenge event. The contest is very similar to Consumer Decision Making with a team presentation instead of reasons. We will set up practices as we get closer to the contest. Our Senior team won state last year so we have some excellent kids to help train for this contest!



Lone Star Silversmith Jewelry Line

The Texas 4-H Foundation is excited to announce a new alliance partner, Lone Star Silversmith. Lone Star Silversmith has created a line of 4-H jewelry items that can be sold/ordered directly through Lone Star Silversmith and sold exclusively within the state of Texas. Lone Star Collections will donate 10% of all sales of the Texas 4-H line of jewelry to the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation in support of the statewide 4-H youth program.

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 2011 is in full swing and promises to be a great one. Good Luck to all stock show exhibitors!! Spring contests will be fast approaching!

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