



## “The Talk”

APRIL 2013

It's County Show Time!

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# Limestone County Fair & Youth Livestock Show

**Wednesday, April 3**

6:30 p.m. - Queen's Coronation @  
 Enge-Washington Intermediate School

**Friday, April 5**

8:00 p.m. - UPRA/CPRA Rodeo

**Saturday, April 6**

8:00 a.m. - Rodeo Run 5K Run/Walk  
 9:00 a.m. - Kids 10 and under 1K Run/Walk  
 8:00 p.m. - UPRA/CPRA Rodeo  
 Calf Scramble for 2014 Fair

**Sunday, April 7**

12:00 p.m. - Horse Check-In  
 2:00 p.m. - Horse Show

**Wednesday, April 10**

6:00p.m. - Commercial Heifer Weigh-in  
 Commercial Heifer Record Book Check-in

**Thursday, April 11**

8:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. -Youth Projects/Ag  
 Mechanic Projects move in  
 1:00 p.m. -Pen of 2 Exam/Interview  
 3:00 p.m. -Market Broiler Show  
 Followed by Market Turkey Show  
 5:00 p.m. -Breeding Sheep Show  
 Followed by Market Lamb Show  
 Followed by Jr. & Sr. Lamb Showmanship  
 6:30 p.m. -Breeding Goat Show  
 Followed by Market Goat Show  
 Followed by Jr. & Sr. Goat Showmanship

**Friday, April 12**

7:00 a.m. -8:00 a.m. -Home economics entries in  
 8:00 a.m. -Breeding Swine Show  
 9:00 a.m. -Home economics judging  
 12:00 p.m. -Home economics open to public  
 12:00 p.m. -BBQ Cook-Off Check-in  
 1:00 p.m. -Ag Mechanics Judging Begins  
 1:00 p.m. -Market Rabbit Show  
 Followed by Breeding Rabbit Show  
 6:00 p.m. -Pet Show  
 7:00 p.m. -Ag Mechanics Awards

**Saturday, April 13**

8:00 a.m. -Market Swine Show  
 Followed by Jr. & Sr. Swine Showmanship  
 11:00 a.m. -BBQ Cook-Off judging begins  
 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. -Limestone County Young  
 Farmers Scholarship Lunch  
 1:00 p.m. -Breeding Heifer Show  
 3:00 p.m. -BBQ Cook Off Awards  
 6:00 p.m. -Market Steer Show  
 Followed by Jr. & Sr. Cattle Showmanship  
 Followed by Youth Dance

**Sunday, April 14**

8:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. -Release of Non Sale  
 Animals

**Monday, April 15**

4:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. -Buyer's Dinner  
 6:00 p.m. -Opening Ceremonies/Raffle Drawing  
 6:30 p.m. -Commission-Free Youth Project Sale



**SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:**

State Fair Validation dates set for Swine:

Early tag orders, \$8, April 1st to April 30th

Late tag orders, \$11, May 1st to May 31st

Priority tag orders (by fax), \$11 per tag plus \$20 priority fee, June 1st to June 7th

All swine must be validated on or before June 30th, 2013.

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District 8 4-H has a blog! You can check the blog or sign up to receive an email when it is updated.

If you want to be notified via email, enter your email address on the website. There is a section on the front page of the website that says "Automatically Receive Updates" where anyone can click and then enter an email address. You will only receive emails when there is a blog post. No additional emails will be sent. <http://d84-h.tamu.edu/>

Or you can view the blog directly here: <http://d84-h.tamu.edu/district-4-h-blog/>

**Attention Adult Volunteers:**

The Texas 4-H & Youth Development Program is pleased to announce plans for the 2013 4-H Volunteer Conference, which is scheduled for July 12-14 in Plano, TX.

Featuring more than 40 educational workshops for Club Managers, Project Leaders, and Parents wanting to learn more about 4-H and project work. Event features include Friday afternoon pre-conference on 4-H club management and how to conduct effective meetings. Friday night opening session features a keynote speaker that will make any volunteer feel like a movie star!

Workshops will take place all day Saturday (8 am - 5 pm) and Sunday morning (8 am - 12 pm) at the Plano Centre in Plano, TX.

Conference registration is \$150.00 per person, additional \$30.00 for preconference session. Register from April 15th to June 30th.

For more information, go to [texas4-h.tamu.edu/volunteer-conference](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/volunteer-conference) Check out their suggestions of two area hotels with great rates. Make sure to reserve early!

We are offering two \$100 scholarships for interested volunteers to help defray the cost of attendance. Check in with us to register and to apply for the scholarship.

**Deadline Extended for the 4-H Has Talent Contest**

4-H Has Talent has had a lot of entries and they want even more! Deadline for entries had been extended to April 14th. This contest is for intermediate and senior aged 4-H youth and can be teams (max of 7 members). The finalists will perform on June 11th at Reed Arena!

The flyer is posted on our website:

<http://limestone.agrilife.org/2013/03/19/4-h-has-talent-deadline-approaches/>



## 4-H Clipping Days

On April 4th, April 5th, and April 9th. Your animal needs to be clean!

Call the office to set up an appointment.

## Beef Cattle Showmanship Clinic

April 4th at 6 pm—Bring your animal, please!

At the Groesbeck Ag Barn

## Major Show Tag Orders Due

It's time again to order **Major Show Steer Tags**. April 17th orders are due for \$10 each for Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo, State Fair, Austin, San Antonio, and San Angelo.

State Fair **Lamb & Goat Tag** Orders Due on April 16th for \$10 each.

## Two Photo Contest Opportunities...

1. Short notice: State 4-H Photo contest—county deadline is April 8th. Open to Senior age division 4-Hers only. Rules & info: [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/photography\\_contest](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/photography_contest) Photos are submitted to the county office in digital format.
2. Another photo contest opportunity is the State 4-H Dog Photo Contest. Submit entry between April 5th and May 10th. A pdf file of the rules can be found on our website: [limestone.agrilife.org/4h/](http://limestone.agrilife.org/4h/)

There will be more photo opportunities coming up, as well as videography! Stay tuned for more information...

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Purple Up! for Military Kids on Monday, April 15th, as a visible way to show support and thank military children from their strength and sacrifices. Purple symbolizes all branches of the military. Let's make Texas purple in support of military youth!
- 2013 Texas 4-H MASH camp has been announced for June 23-25. It's open to all youth in Texas from grades 7th to 11th. Cost is \$250 per youth. The goal of MASH camp is to allow hands-on learning in the medical, safety, and health career fields.





## New Contest—We need a 4-H Slogan for 2013-2014!

Put on your thinking caps and enter our slogan contest! It's time to think about what 4-H means to you. Slogans will be used throughout the year in 4-H Newsletters, the annual 4-H Calendar, and at the 4-H Kick-off Event.

The winner of the Limestone County 4-H Slogan Contest will receive a \$15 prize at our Limestone County 4-H Awards Banquet.

Deadline is **May 10, 2013**

Submit slogans on paper to the county extension office (don't forget to put your name on it!) or email them to [limestone-tx@tamu.edu](mailto:limestone-tx@tamu.edu)

It is your responsibility to ensure that the slogan entries have been received by the county office by the deadline.

Multiple slogans can be entered!

Questions? Call the office!

If you would like to view a copy of the 2013 LCFA Rule Book, it may be located online at the following website:

[limestone-tx.tamu.edu](http://limestone-tx.tamu.edu)  
Click on the Publications Tab.

Twitter [www.twitter.com/LimeCo4H](http://www.twitter.com/LimeCo4H)

Pinterest [pinterest.com/limeco4h/](http://pinterest.com/limeco4h/)

Our own website [limestone.agrilife.org](http://limestone.agrilife.org)

Facebook [www.facebook.com/LimestoneCounty4H](http://www.facebook.com/LimestoneCounty4H)

### April

- 4/4—Project clipping day by appointment
- 4/5—Project clipping day by appointment
- 4/6—D8 Horse Judging Contest (TAMU)
- 4/8—Quilt Challenge deadline
- 4/8—County deadline for State 4-H Photography contest
- 4/9—Project clipping day by appointment
- 4/11-4/15 Limestone County Fair & Youth Livestock Show
- 4/12—D8 Fashion Show & Storyboard (Stephenville)
- 4/13—D8 Roundup
- 4/14—4-H Has Talent contest deadline
- 4/15—Deadline to validate 4-H horse projects for District Horse Show @ \$10 per horse
- 4/16—Deadline to order State Fair lamb & goat tags
- 4/17—Major Show Steer tag orders due
- 4/20—D8 Livestock Judging Contest (TAMU)
- 4/26—Deadline to Validate 4-H Horse Projects for District Horse Show @ \$20 per horse
- 4/30—Final deadline-State Fair swine-early tag orders

### May

- 5/1—D8 TEA4-HA scholarship applications due in the Milam County Extension Office.
- 5/10—4-H Slogan contest entries due in county office
- 5/22—Water Zone! For 2nd and 3rd graders—we need volunteers of all ages for this huge event. Contact the office for more information and volunteer forms.
- 5/31—Final deadline-State Fair swine-late tag orders

### June

- 6/7—Final deadline-State Fair swine-priority tag orders
- 6/30—Registration deadline for 4-H Volunteer Conference, Plano

### July

- 7/12-13—4-H Volunteer Conference, Plano

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