



“The Talk”

MARCH 2014

Twitter

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

Pinterest

pinterest.com/limeco4h/

Our own website

limestone.agrilife.org

Facebook

[https://www.facebook.com/
LimestoneCountyExtension](https://www.facebook.com/LimestoneCountyExtension)

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Horse Project Info 2

LCFA FCS Division 2

Fair Schedule 3

Clipping Days 4

New Contest 4

4-H & YD Advisory Board 4

Dates 4



We have a new QR code for our 4-H webpage. Try it out! Great for sharing with new or prospective members.

Major Show Results

We've been travelling the state to multiple shows and have tried to update on Facebook and weekly memos the best we can but here is all of our youth's success listed here...we are really proud of ALL of youth and their participation at the major show level and their representation of our program:

Fort Worth 2014

Heifers –

Zane Kantor – 1st place in class with his Brangus Heifer

Colton Shields – 13th in class with his Shorthorn Heifer

Kaitlyn Pettigrew – 1st in class with her Beefmaster Heifer

Raelynn Swinnea – 7th in class with her Brangus Heifer

Steers –

While we didn't place any in the premium sale, we had a good set of cattle there. Participants were: Zane Kantor, Tyler Rader, Emily Rader, Maggie Devrow, Carter Devrow, Kylee Allen, and Kurstyn Adams.

San Antonio 2014

Skillathons –

Hadley O'Hair participated in all 3 skillathon contests in the swine, sheep, and beef divisions. He ended up 1st in the Swine Skillathon, 2nd in the Sheep division, and 2nd in the Beef division. His efforts rewarded him \$11,400 in scholarship money!!

Livestock Judging –

Four youth competed with Hadley O'Hair, Asa O'Hair, Cierra Morris, and Jimmy Owens participating. All did a good job and Hadley ended up 19th High Overall Individual.

San Angelo 2014

Heifers –

Tyler Rader – 1st in class with his Beefmaster Heifer

Kaitlyn Pettigrew – 3rd in class with her Beefmaster Heifer

Colton Rich – 2nd in class and Reserve Intermediate Division with his Angus Heifer

Colton Shields – 2nd in class with one of his Shorthorn Heifers and the other was 6th in class

Raelynn Swinnea – 6th in class with her Brangus Heifer

Next up is the Star of Texas in Austin, the Houston Livestock Show, and the Limestone County Fair all in the month of March!! Good luck to all of our youth!!!

Stayed tuned in next month's newsletter for Limestone 4-H Shooting Sports results!

Important information for Horse project & validation for district

REMINDERS:

These documents and others can be found by clicking on the **State 4-H Horse Show link** on the website:

<http://horse.tamu.edu> .

2014 Horse Validation on 4-H Connect – Open **March 1st** – **May 1st**

2014 Horse Show Rules and Regulations – **New and Important changes are in RED text**

2014 State 4-H Horse Show Schedule – **REVIEW CAREFULLY** – **Major changes** from past years

2014 State 4-H Horse Show Entries on 4-H Connect – Open **June 1st** – **July 1st**

Three (3) new classes ADDED – Hunt Seat Versatility, Stock Horse Horsemanship, and Cow Boxing

HORSE VALIDATION PERIOD IS:

March 1, 2014 to April 15, 2014 \$10.00 per horse

April 16, 2014 to May 1, 2014 \$20.00 per horse

Validation and payment is required of ALL horses regardless if they were entered this year or last!

FOR THOSE ENTERING A NEW HORSE INTO 4-H CONNECT, BEFORE YOU BEGIN YOUR VALIDATION PROCESS, YOU MUST:

Have a family and youth member profile established on 4-H CONNECT

Be an active/paid youth member of Texas 4-H for the 2013-2014 year.

For any horse which was NOT validated in 4-H CONNECT last year, have digital photos of your horse(s) from the front, left side, and right side. These photos must be accessible for upload during the validation process.

For any registered horse that was NOT validated last year you will need to have a pdf copy of your horse(s) registration papers for upload.

LCEFA FCS Division Reminders

It's time to start thinking about your Family & Consumer Sciences division entries for the county show. Things to remember:

- This year we are sticking to rule #18—food entries may only be on a disposable board or paper plate and covered in clear plastic wrap. This year we will NOT be accepting any entries in decorated baskets, covered cake sets, or similar. Entries will only be accepted if brought in on disposable goods. Please ask BEFORE check-in if you are not sure!
- For food items (class 1-15), a copy of the recipe must be turned in with the entry form.
- Another copy of the recipe (without your name) must also be attached to the food item upon check-in.
- Entry fees—Class 1-15 is \$3.00 per item; Class 16-33 is \$1.00 per item.
- If you have not validated any animal projects, then the yearly family membership fee of \$10.00 (or lifetime \$100.00 membership) must be paid to the Limestone County Fair & Youth Livestock Show.

In addition to all the food classes, there are also classes that encompass paintings, photographs, drawings, needlework, woodwork, home décor, potted plants, and more. Check out the 2014 rulebook for more information.



Limestone County Fair Schedule, 2014

Saturday, March 22, 2014

8:00am-10:00 am Check-In Horse Show
10:00 am Horse Show

Tuesday, March 25, 2014

6:00pm Commercial Heifer Check-In/Commercial Heifer Record Book Check-in

Wednesday, March 26, 2014

8:00am-11:00 am Youth Projects/Ag Mechanic Projects move in
1:00pm Pen of 2 Exam/Interview
3:00pm Market Broiler Show followed by Market Turkey Show
5:00pm Breeding Rabbit show followed by Market Rabbit

Thursday, March 27, 2014

8:00am Breeding Swine Show
12:30pm Ag Mechanics Judging Begins
1:00pm Breeding Sheep Show followed by Market Lamb and Lamb Showmanship
2:30pm Breeding Goat followed by Market Goat and Goat Showmanship
6:00pm Pet Show
7:00pm Ag Mechanic Awards

Friday, March 28, 2013

7:00am-8:00am Home Economics entries in
8:00am Market Swine Show Followed by Jr. and Sr. Showmanship
9:00am Home Economics Judging
12:00pm-2:00pm Home Economics Open to Public
12:00pm BBQ Cook Off Check-in
11:00am-1:00pm Limestone County Young Farmers Scholarship Lunch
2:00pm Breeding Heifer show
6:00pm Market Steer Show followed by Jr. Sr. Cattle Showmanship
Youth Only Dance to follow Cattle Show.

Saturday, March 29, 2013

7:00am - 9:00am *Release of non-sale Animals*
9:00am BBQ Judging Begins
1:00pm BBQ Awards
12:30pm-2:30pm Buyer's Dinner
3:00pm Opening Ceremonies and Raffle Drawing

2014



4-H Clipping Days for 2014 Limestone County Fair

There will be 3 opportunities to sign up and reserve your time to get your animals clipped.

The 3 options are:

Sunday, March 23, 2014

Monday, March 24, 2014

Tuesday, March 25, 2014 from 2 p.m. and later

We need additional volunteers to help this year as our schedules are all very busy with major show season.

Call Wanda and set up your time slot as soon as you can. Also, be sure and wash and clean ALL animals prior to bringing them to be clipped. **This is MANDATORY!!!**

Limestone County 4-H Video Contest

Submission deadline: **April 14th** (Monday) by 5 pm. Video must be playable on a PC.

Interested in a **leadership opportunity?**

Consider applying for a position on the 4-H & Youth Development Advisory Board. Members serve a two-year term and must be 12 years old or older (4-H age) at the time of application to the board.

Membership application is due to the Extension office by March 28, 2014. Applications available at the office or on our website, <http://bit.ly/1hqG7t0>

March

3/1-16 Star of Texas, Austin

3/3 County deadline to enter Fashion Show & Fashion Storyboard contests

3/4-23 Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo

3/7 County Show Declaration of Projects

3/8 County Show Validation—Horses, Rabbits, Pen of 2

3/18 FCS Division @ County Show Entry Deadline

3/22 County Horse Show

3/23, 24, & after 2pm 3/25 4-H Clipping Days for Animal Projects

3/26-29 Limestone County Fair & Youth Livestock Show & Rodeo

3/28 4-H & YDAB applications due to office

3/28 FCS Entries for the County Show, due between 7:00 and 8:00 am at the fairgrounds

April

4/4 D8 Fashion Show & Fashion Storyboard contests, Granbury

4/5 D8 Horse Judging

4/8 4-H & Youth Development Advisory Board meeting, Extension office

4/12 D8 Roundup, Meridian

4/14 4-H Video Contest entries due

4/26 Multi-District Contests

4/29 Training for teen volunteers, Youth Ag Expo, 6 pm

May

5/1 Deadline for D8-TAE4-HA Scholarship, Milam Co.

June

6/16-18 Limestone Co. 4-H Cooking Camp

6/19-20 Limestone Co. 4-H Re-fashion Camp

6/24-27 District 8 Leadership Lab, New Braunfels

July

7/11-13 Multicounty 4-H Camp (tentative), Palestine

7/17-18 Limestone Co. 4-H Crochet & Knit Camp

7/21-22 Limestone Co. 4-H Trashion Sewing Camp

7/24-25 Limestone Co. 4-H Cooking Camp

Limestone County Extension Office

PO Box 191
Groesbeck, TX 76642
Limestone County
Courthouse, G-14
(254) 729-5314 Office
(254) 729-2540 Fax
limestone-tx@tamu.edu

Vanessa Casad

County Extension Agent
Family & Consumer Sciences
vanessa.casad@ag.tamu.edu

Vanessa Casad

David W. Groschke

County Extension Agent
Agriculture/Natural Resources
dwgroschke@ag.tamu.edu

David W. Groschke

Wanda Powell

Office Manager
wlpowell@ag.tamu.edu

Wanda Powell

2014 Limestone County 4-H Motto: **Projects are Opportunities for Growth** (Colton Rich)