



“The Talk”

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WELCOME BACK!

4-H Annual Enrollment 2016-2017

Please remember—you have to join 4-H every year to stay a 4-H member! Sign up is starting now!

Be sure to fill out your green enrollment form and turn it in to your club manager or to Gloria in the Extension Office. Remember that the participation fee is only \$20 before November 1st. October 31st is the county deadline to have your green form & payment in to the Extension Office in order to meet the LCFA deadline of November 1st for show eligibility.

Note—Clover Kids do not pay a participation fee—the fee only applies to bonafide 4-H members who are in the 3rd grade.



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H.O.T Fair!



October 6—15 in Waco, TX

The Heart O' Texas Fair is coming up right around the corner in Waco, TX and the livestock entry deadline will be September 9, 2016 to the County Extension office.

This show has an excellent scholarship program and its just down the road in Waco and is a great opportunity to get your animals out into a show ring situation. Come see David or Gloria and sign up soon. Also, they have a calf scramble program for those of you needing some extra funds for animals!

25TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY CLASSIC

TEXAS A&M
AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION

BEEF, LAMB,
GOAT & SWINE
CLINIC AND
PROSPECT SHOW

NO ENTRY FEES!
OPEN TO ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 3-12
NO PEEWEE EXHIBITORS!

November 5-6
@ Bell County
EXPO center

- ♦ Youth must attend Saturday clinics to participate in Sunday showmanship and prospect shows.
- ♦ Free Saturday evening meal. Concession stands available.
- ♦ Contact your local Extension Office for more information.

The Holiday Classic and Clinics Prospect Shows are intended to provide an educational opportunity for new families participating in the livestock project area. The main purpose is to teach the basic principles of livestock management as they relate to facility maintenance, selection, nutrition, animal health, handling, showmanship, and transportation.

Volunteer Training



Volunteer training will be required for all adult volunteers. The training must be done online on 4-H Connect before you can be enrolled as a 4-H adult volunteer.

If you would like to become an adult volunteer please contact the County Extension office for more information.

LCFA Turkey Orders

The LCFA will be accepting turkey orders for the county fair. You must order a **minimum of (5) birds. Each turkey cost \$3.50.**

Orders are due Thursday, September 1, 2016

Please call the Extension office to place your order or if you have any questions.



Major Show Heifer Validation

Major Show Heifer UIN orders are due to the Extension office. This is for fall validation in October to show in the spring.

Cost: \$10 each (Only for heifers that haven't been validated yet)



What can you do in one day?

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Due to the flooding in Louisiana many children are starting the school year late and with very few school supplies. Texas 4-H is asking 4-H clubs across the state to help gather school supplies for children in need.

The Limestone County Extension office has set up a school supplies collection box outside of the county office.

We are asking all 4-H clubs in Limestone county to help collect school supplies for this One Day 4-H project to be shipped to children in Louisiana.

Louisiana 4-H has requested for 4-H members and clubs across the south to help out in the collection of school supplies for youth in south Louisiana.

Many school aged youth were in the midst of planning for their school year when the flooding occurred. Now, many of them are cleaning their homes and have not thought about school, or school supplies.



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How Can Texas 4-H Help?

Start a school supply drive, promote it as your county's One Day 4-H Project for the year, and then ship your donations to:

**LSU Ag Center Warehouse
School Supply Flood Relief
4161 Gourrier Ave
Baton Rouge, LA 70808**



Please make sure you sign your supply drive up at texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/oneday

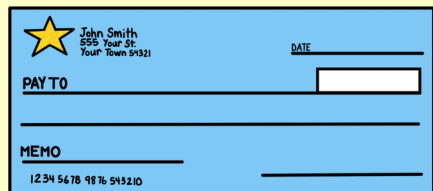
Contact the Extension office for more information.

LCFA County Show Checks, Pictures, and Plaques

We still have a lot of LCFA checks, pictures, and plaques that have not been picked up from the Extension Office. Please check to see if you might have a check in our office.

You will not receive your check from the county show if you have not done thank you letters and plaques.

Contact the Extension office if you have any questions.



4 – H Monthly Meetings



Groesbeck 4-H Club Meeting

1st Monday of each month at 6:00pm at H.O. Whitehurst Elem.



Limestone Leaders 4-H Club

2nd Monday of each month at Faith Lutheran Church in Mexia (Time TBA)

Kosse 4-H Club

1st Monday of each month 6:30pm Kosse Community Center

Mexia 4-H Club

1st Tuesday of each month at Gibbs Memorial Library

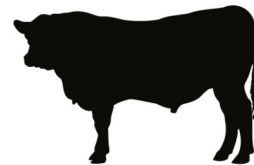
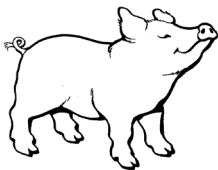
Limestone County Shooting Sports 4-H Club

3rd Monday of every month at 6:30pm at Limestone County Show Barn in Groesbeck



Major Show Swine Tag Orders

Steer and Pen of 2 Validation



Major Show Swine Tag orders are due to the Extension office by **September 16, 2016**. Tags will be \$12. Please contact the Extension office if you have any questions.

The Limestone County Fair Steer and Pen of 2 validation will be held on **October 22, 2016** at the Groesbeck Auction Barn. Validation is from 8:00am to 10:00 am. Please contact the Extension office if you have any questions.



Monday
September 5, 2016



Sunday
September 11, 2016



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September

- Turkey orders due—9/1
- H.O.T. livestock entry deadline—9/9
- Washington County Fair in Brenham, TX—9/10
- Major Show Swine Tag orders due (\$12)—9/16

October

- One Day 4-H Service Project 10/8
- H.O.T. Fair in Waco, TX 10/ 6—15
- Brazos Valley Fair and Rodeo—10/ 21—23 (due 9/23)
- Limestone County Fair and Steer and Pen of 2 Validation—10/22

November

- 25th Annual Holiday Classic— 11/ 5-6

**The County Extension Office will be closed in observance
of Labor Day Monday, September 5th, 2016**

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