

ANDREWS COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

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*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

Next 4-H Meeting is February 9th

The next 4-H meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 9th at 6:30pm at the Extension Office. We will discuss upcoming projects such as All 4-H members and families are invited to attend these monthly meetings.

Bring Your Thank You cards!

If you participated in the Andrews County Junior Livestock Show, then you have some Thank You cards to write. You may bring them to the February 9th meeting and we will give you a few ideas and examples on how to write a good Thank You letter. It is very important to properly thank buyers for purchasing your animal.

Community Service- Valentines Day Cards

For our February community service project we will make Valentines Day cards to give to the Senior Center. Come with ideas, small poems and your best heart drawings!



UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY:

- 9 GENERAL 4-H MEETING
- 10 HORSE CLUB RIDING NIGHT @ ACE
- 12 4-H SEWING/ FASHION KICKOFF
- 14 VALENTINES DAY
- 16 PRESIDENTS' DAY
- 17 HORSE CLUB RIDING NIGHT @ ACE
- 26 ADULT LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

MARCH:

- 8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
- 16 GENERAL 4-H MEETING
- 17 PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT PHOTOS DUE
- 26 ADULT LEADERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Clothing & Textile Project kicks off February 12th!

The Clothing & Textile project will kick off on Thursday, February 12th at 6pm at the Extension Office. All youth in grades K-12 are invited to participate in this fun and educational project that will teach sewing at beginning, intermediate and advanced levels. At the kick off you will meet your sewing leader and find out what times and dates your classes will be. We will also do a fun and quick sewing project, so bring a friend! Sewing classes will be one night a week for 6 weeks. There are few supplies that you will need to create a successful project: scissors, measuring tape, pins, etc...these are the foundation of a proper sewing kit. The Extension Office has a few extra of these items if needed.

Fashion Storyboard

Fashion Storyboard project is also available. Participants draw designs and "tell the story" of their design using photos, magazine clippings, fabric swatches, etc... This project really gives 4-Hers a chance to artistically express their inspirations for their design. For more information on the clothing and textile project or the fashion storyboard project, please call the Extension Office at 524-1421.

Horse Club– Riding Days at ACE Arena



The 4-H Horse Club has scheduled riding days that will take place at the Andrews County Expo Arena on the following days:

Tuesday, February 10th 6:00pm-8:00pm

Tuesday, February 24th 6:00pm-8:00pm

Please bring your horse and proper riding equipment to participate. For more information, please contact the Extension Office at 432-524-1421.

Don't forget to sign up for our text reminders to get the latest information for the Andrews Horse Club. Text "@achorse" to 682-587-3987.

4-H Project Barn Clean Up and Key Return

If you used a pen at the project barns next to the ACE Arena to hold your animal it needs to be cleaned out thoroughly. Also please clean out your storage room and return your key to the Extension Office as soon as possible. Once it has been inspected, your name will be checked off our list. This will ensure that your County Show sale check will be released to you once "thank you" notes are turned in.



Pick Up Passes for Major Livestock Shows

Major show passes have been mailed to the Extension Office and may be picked up anytime Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm (closed 12-1 for lunch). They will only be released to the exhibitor or the exhibitor's parents and you will need to sign for them.

2015 Major Livestock Show Dates

- **Southwestern Expo & Livestock Show**– January 16-February 7, 2015
(www.fwssr.com)
- **San Antonio Livestock Show**– February 11-February 28, 2015
(www.sarodeo.com)
- **San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo**– February 13-March 1, 2015
(www.sanangelorodeo.com)
- **Houston Livestock Show**– March 3-22, 2015
(www.rodeohouston.com)
- **Star of Texas Fair & Rodeo**– March 14-28, 2015
(www.rodeoaustin.com)

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Shooting Sports Meets Thursdays

The Andrews 4-H Shooting Sports club meets every Thursday. Email and text reminders are sent out each week with additional info on time and place of each meeting. We are currently meeting at the Extension Office as the new Shooting Range nears completion. If you haven't signed up for the Shooting Sports text reminder yet, be sure to text "@5c812" to 81010. Whenever we have information about the program, we will send out a mass text for everyone to read.

Upcoming Competitions:

West of The Pecos Indoor Archery Match

Feb 21st @ Fort Stockton, TX (registration deadline– Feb 6)

Ellis Co Archery Tournament

Feb 28th @ Waxahachie, TX (registration deadline– Feb 15)

Travis Co March Madness Shoot

Mar 7th @ Manor, TX (registration deadline Feb 20)

Henderson Co Whiz Bang

Mar 21st @ Tyler, TX (registration deadline– Mar 9)



4-H Photography

The 4-H photography project held its last classroom meeting on Tuesday, January 27th. Participants will now have the whole month of February to take any last minute photos or do any editing if needed. Photo projects should be turned in during the week of Spring Break (March 9-13) and the final deadline to turn in photos is Monday, March 16th. There are 14 categories that photos may be entered in and each photos will need to be printed to 8X10. Be sure to print out 2 sets of each photo, one for County and one for District competition. If there are any questions about the photography project, please call the Extension Office at 524-1421.

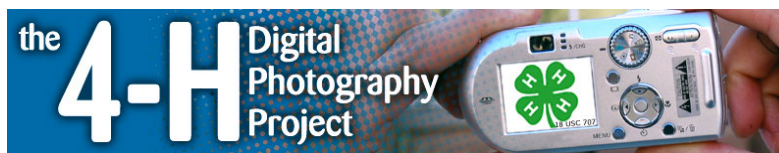
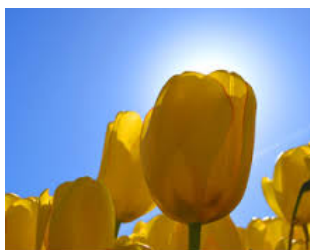


PHOTO CATEGORIES:



Animals– Domestic

Catch-All

Digital Darkroom

Elements of Design

Marine/Aquatic

Night Photography

Plant/Flora

Theme– Inspiration

Animals– Wildlife

Details & Macro

Dominant Color

Food

Nature & Landscape

People

Storyboard

