

ANDREWS COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

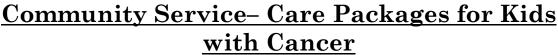
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Next 4-H Meeting is April 13th 4-H Club Officer Nominations

Our 4-H Club will meet Monday, April 13th at 6:30pm at the Extension Office. Please make plans to attend as we will be taking additional nominations for club officers and sweethearts at this meeting. Elections for officer positions will be held in May. A list of club officer duties is included in this newsletter, so please read through them to determine if you would like to run for

any of the positions. All members are encouraged to attend and partake in this fun parliamentary procedure. Nominating and electing officers are important parts of club business. Much of the success of our club depends on the officers we elect.



For the month of April we will be collecting items for care packages for kids with cancer. This is our community service project so please bring your items to the April 4-H meeting or they may be dropped off at the Extension Office anytime during the month of April. Care package item ideas include: lotion, sensitive toothpaste, lip balm, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, nail file, hats, scarves, gloves, head wraps, blankets, lounge pants, slippers, mints, chewing gum, magazines, books, crayons, snacks, hard candy,



4-H Clothing & Textile Judging and Fashion Show

cards with words of encouragements.

The Clothing & Textile judging will be held Friday, April 10th at 5pm at the Extension Office. Participants will wear their sewn garments and answer questions pertaining to things they learned during sewing class. The 2015



4-H Fashion Show will be held on Friday, April 17th at 6pm at the Community Building. There will be a modeling practice on Thursday, April 16th from 6pm-7pm at the Extension Office. Be sure to come out and support your fellow 4-H members and cheer them on!



UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL:

- 2 D6 DUDS TO DAZZLE COMPETITION AT JRC
- 11 D6 RIFLE COMPETITION @ IRAAN
- 13 GENERAL 4-H MEETING @ 6:30
- 13 STATE FAIR TAG OR-DER DEADLINE
- 17 COUNTY FASHION SHOW
- 20 STEER TAG ORDER DEADLINE
- 25 D6 LIVESTOCK JUDG-ING @ LUBBOCK
- 30 ALA MEETING AT NOON

MAY:

- 1 Horse Validation Deadline
- 2 D6 4-H ROUNDUP @ FORT STOCKTON
- 11 GENERAL 4-H MEET-ING @ 6:30
- 28 ALA MEETING AT NOON

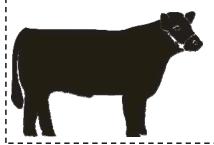
Ear Tag Order for 2015 State Fair of Texas

Time is fast approaching to make decisions on how many ear tags you will need for the upcoming 2015 State Fair of Texas (lamb, goats, barrows). The deadline for ordering tags is Monday, April 12th. Please call or come by the Extension Office anytime Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm (closed 12-1 for lunch). Cost is \$10 per tag.



2015-2016 Major Show Steer Validation

It is time to plan for the 2015-2016 Texas 4-H/FFA Steer Validation Program. If you are planning on showing steers at any of the major shows in Texas (Odessa, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, Houston, Austin, or Dallas) then you will need to order tags for validation. The deadline to order steer tags is Monday, April 20, 2015. Cost for each tag is \$10 per tag. Checks must accompany orders and should be made payable to Andrews County Junior Livestock Association (ACJLA). Since refunds cannot be given, please order the number of tags as accurately as possible. If you are unsure of the number of tags needed, order a few extra to be safe. All major livestock shows require all 4-H and FFA steers to be validated in the Texas 4-H/FFA Steer Validation Program and identified appropriately with an official



Texas steer tag, nose print, hair sample and tattoo. All Andrews County steers will be validated in June. Please note that this is only a validation of ownership. This is not an entry to a show. County and Major show entries will be made separately. If there are any questions, please call the Extension Office at 524-1421.

4-H Horse Validation Program

Horse validation is now open on 4-H Connect. If you validate between March 1st-April 15th the cost is \$10 per horse. From April 16th-May 1st the cost is \$20 per horse. If you plan on

participating in District or State Horse competition, you will need to complete validation by the May 1st deadline. The District Horse Show will take place on June 22-23 in Fort Stockton and the State Horse Show will take place on July 18-25 in Abilene. If you need assistance, please call the Extension Office at 524-1421.

Horse Riding Night

The next horse riding night is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14th at the ACE Arena from 6pm-8pm. Please bring your horse and proper riding equipment to participate. Also, April 28th will be the last Horse Riding night until after the summer break. For more information, please contact the Extension Office at 524-1421.



Shooting Sports Meets Thursdays

The Andrews 4-H Shooting Sports shotgun group is currently meeting on Thursdays and the archery group is meeting on the weekend. Email and text reminders are sent out each week with additional info on time and place of each meeting. 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.





4-H Club Shirts for Sale

We have Andrews 4-H Club shirts on sale at the Extension Office. They are \$12 each and the sizes available are YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, AL, AXL, and AXXL.

ACJLA Stock Show Shirts for Sale

We also have a few County Stock Show shirts for sale as well. They are \$10 each and sizes available are AS, AM, AL and AXL.

There are no holds for shirts and they will be sold on a first come first serve basis. So hurry to the office and get yours before they are all gone!

Adult Leaders Association Scholarship

ALA scholarship applications are available for pick up at the Extension Office. Completed applications are due back to the Extension Office by May 1st. All 4-H seniors who have completed 2 4-H projects and been an active member for a minimum of 2 years is eligible to apply. For more information, please call the Extension Office at 432-524-1421.



Howard College Lamb & Goat Camp

Big plans are being made for the 2015 Howard College Lamb & Goat Camp. Lamb camp will be June 7th, 8th & 9th and Goat camp will be June 14th, 15th & 16th in Big Spring. Remem-



ber that only the first 200 paid entries will be accepted for each camp, so get your entries in early! Cost for the camp is \$85 per person which includes 4 meals and a camp t-shirt and cap. Participants need to make their own hotel reservations. The County Extension Office has entry information if you would like to know more or need an entry form.





Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign

The Andrews Tractor Supply will launch the 2015 Spring 4-H Paper Clover Campaign on

April 22nd. Shoppers at the Andrews TSC store will have the opportunity to support the Andrews 4-H Club by choosing to purchase paper clovers for a \$1 or more at checkout. All funds raised will be donated to 4-H, and will support 4-H youth development program activities in Andrews.

Midland County 4-H Whizbang

Midland County 4-H will host a Whizbang shooting competition on Saturday, April 25th at the Midland Shooters Association Shotgun Range, 5911 South FM 1788. There will be a morning and afternoon rotation with 50 targets each for skeet, trap and whizbang. Cost is \$95 per entry. Buckles for HOA and HAA will be awarded in each age division. Fore more information, please call the Extension Office at 524-1421.



2015 Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School

The 2015 Texas 4-H Calf Roping and Break-A-Way School will take place on June 21-25 at the Tarleton State University Challenge Arena. Participation is open to all districts in the state, with applications being accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis with first priority to those boys and girls who are 12 years of age or older. The cost of the school is \$380 for the week. This will in-



clude group insurance, meals, lodging, stall rent for one horse and will cove the cost of practice calves used in the teaching process. Adult chaperones will be charged \$175 to attend. If chaperone is bringing a horse add \$25 for stall fee. For more information, please contact the Extension Office at 524-1421.

15 4-H Round

2015 District 6 Round Up-May 2nd in Fort Stockton

The 2015 District 6 4-H Round Up will be held on Saturday, May 2nd in Fort Stockton. Round Up contests include: Educational Presentations, Public Speaking, Entomology Identification, Share the Fun, Textiles Show, Fashion Show, Fashion Storyboard, Discover Scientific Method Research Poster Contest and Photography. Entry deadline is April 15th on 4-H Connect. If you are interested in competing in any of these contests contact the Extension Office at 432-524-1421. For more information

go to:

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu

4-H CLUB OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Presiding as a club officer requires leadership skills and commitment to the club. Each elected member will receive a <u>4-H Club Officer Handbook</u> that will give a detailed description of each position and will give samples of meeting formats and forms that are needed to have successful club meetings. Elected members will also have help from ALA Leaders and Extension Agents.

So go ahead, take a chance and run for office! GOOD LUCK!!

<u>President: (9th-12th grade, must be in 2 or more active 4-H projects, commit to attend 2/3 of all scheduled meetings)</u> preside at all club meetings using basic parliamentary procedures; remember that good club meetings should have inspiration (5-10 min– motto, pledge, song), business (15 min– roll call, minutes, committee reports), program (15-20 min– talks, demonstrations) and recreation (30 min– games, refreshments).

<u>Vice President: (9th-12 grade, must be in 2 or more active 4-H projects, commit to attend 2/3 of all scheduled meetings)</u> assist the president; preside at meetings in the absence of the president; serve as president if the president leaves the club or resigns his office; serve as a host to any guest speakers of your club meetings; introduce any guest speakers at the meeting and give some information about what the speaker will discuss.

Secretary: (6th-12th grade, must be in 2 or more active 4-H projects, commit to attend 2/3 of all scheduled meetings) call roll and check attendance; read minutes from the last meeting; keep complete and accurate minutes of all meetings; write letters for the club.

<u>Treasurer: (6th-12th grade, must be in 2 or more active 4-H projects, commit to attend 2/3 of all scheduled meetings) give reports of the club's financial condition at each meeting; report on profits of any fundraisers the club has; keep accurate records of all receipts and expenditures of club funds.</u>

Reporter: (6th-12th grade, must be in 2 or more active 4-H projects, commit to attend 2/3 of all scheduled meetings) submit interesting reports and pictures of club activities to local newspaper, radio and television stations; report club news to the Extension Office to be included in the 4-H newsletter.

<u>Community Service Chair: (3rd-6th grade, active in 4-H and strong desire to serve)</u> research community service needs for Andrews County, propose and help plan 4 community service projects to fit the needs of our community.

Health & Safety Officer: (3rd-6th grade, active in 4-H and strong desire to serve) provide a 5 minute presentation on health and/or safety at each of the 4-H meetings.

<u>Sweethearts:</u> present awards to members at 4-H functions and events; represent and promote Andrews County 4-H Club at local radio station and in the community.