**Deaf Smith County 4-H News – Oct. 12, 2016**

**VALIDATE SHEEP/GOATS – We will be validating sheep and goats Monday, Oct. 24, from 5-7 p.m. at the Project Center. Call Rick for more information.**

**RABBIT VALIDATION – We will validate rabbits on Tuesday, Nov. 8, from 5-6 p.m. at the 4-H office.**

**SWINE VALIDATION – We will be validating swine on Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Project Center, beginning at 9:30 a.m.**

[QUALITY COUNTS TEST](http://agrilife.org/qualitycounts/verification/) **REQUIRED at MAJORS –** Quality Counts verification is required for all youth exhibiting livestock (market and/or breeding) at major livestock shows in Texas (including Ft. Worth Livestock Show, San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Star of Texas Fair in Austin, San Angelo Livestock Show, Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa, State Fair of Texas in Dallas, and Heart O’ Texas Fair in Waco). The verification process requires junior exhibitors to pass an [online test](http://agrilife.org/qualitycounts/verification/) that measures their knowledge on quality assurance and character education content items. For more information, contact the local Extension office.

**STOCK SHOW SIGNUP NIGHT will be Monday, November 7th, at the Extension office for county and major shows. A Notary will be present for Houston stock show entries.**

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**FALL DISTRICT ROUNDUP – Contests are less than a month away! Registration for competition must be completed on 4-H Connect by Friday, Oct. 21.**

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**COUNTY FOOD SHOW – The local contest will be from 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18 at the 4-H office. Members *must compete* at the local level in order to advance to District on Nov. 4. Call the Extension office for more information.**

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**NUTRITION QUIZ BOWL – Teams are now forming for this fall contest. Adult Leader Judith Grotegut has scheduled practices from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Oct. 19, 24, 26 and Nov. 2 at the 4-H office. The contest is Friday, Nov. 4.**

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#### [****DONATE A PHOTO****](http://4-h.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=6560df318667bdfb3f3ae20fe&id=2f25aaf9e4&e=b42ea8eb5b) – Donate a photo through Johnson & Johnson's "Donate a Photo" mobile app to help empower young people with the skills to lead for a lifetime. Each photo donated helps provide a child with materials for a valuable leadership program.

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**BRING SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE – The County Council is collecting school supplies for Louisiana flood victims. If you wish to donate items, please drop them by the 4-H office this month.**

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**ONLINE 4-H ENROLLMENT for the 2016-17 year is open on** [4-H Connect](https://texas.4honline.com/Login)**. You CANNOT compete as a 4-H member without being enrolled in the current year. Every 4-H member and volunteer is required to enroll in 4-H each autumn. *Please do not create a new profile; just update your existing membership.* If you prefer to enroll using paper forms, these are available at the local office during normal business hours.**

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**IMPORTANT 4-H DATES:**

**Enroll in 4-H for the 2016-17 year through** [4-H Connect](https://texas.4honline.com/Login)**or pick up forms at local office.**

**SEPT. 30-Oct. 23 –** [State Fair of Texas](http://bigtex.com/) **at Dallas Fair Park**

**OCT. 6-15 –** [Heart of Texas Fair & Rodeo](http://www.hotfair.com/) **in Waco**

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 12 – Food & Fun Club, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 13 – *Please* RSVP to 364-3573 if planning to attend 4-H Bowling Party on Monday, Oct. 17**

***FRIDAY, OCT. 14 – Hereford Whiteface football at Randall***

**OCT. 15-16 - 4-H Shooting Sports Leaders/Coaches training in Seminole**

**MONDAY, OCT. 17 – Family Bowling Party, Hamburgers served 5-5:30 p.m., Bowling 5:30-7 p.m. RSVP to 364-3573**

**TUESDAY, OCT. 18 – County Food Show, 4-6 p.m.**

**TUESDAY, OCT. 18 – Livestock Club and Swine Project Training Meeting, 5 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19 – Nutrition Quiz Bowl practice, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19 – Consumer field trip to Texas Threads, 5:00 p.m. (Meet and pickup at Texas Threads, 241 Main)**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 20 – Clover Kids, 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 20 – Vet Science Project, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

**FRIDAY, OCT. 21 – DEADLINE to register on** [4-H Connect](https://texas.4honline.com/Login) **for Fall District Roundup**

***FRIDAY, OCT. 21 – Hereford Whiteface football in Hereford***

**MONDAY, OCT. 24 – Nutrition Quiz Bowl practice, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**MONDAY, OCT. 24 – Lamb & Sheep Validation at Project Center, 5-7 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26 - Nutrition Quiz Bowl practice, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26 – County Council, 5:30 p.m. All 4-H members welcome to participate to develop leadership.**

***FRIDAY, OCT. 28 – Hereford Whiteface football at Dumas***

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 2 - Nutrition Quiz Bowl practice, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

***FRIDAY, NOV. 4 – Hereford Whiteface football in Hereford***

**NOV. 4-5 – District 1 4-H Roundup at WTAMU:**

**FRIDAY, NOV. 4 -** Food Show, Nutrition Quiz Bowl

**SATURDAY, NOV. 5** - Beef Quiz Bowl, Horse Quiz Bowl, Swine Quiz Bowl, SET Poster Contest, Ag Product Identification, Swine Skill-a-Thon, Leaders 4 Life, Food Challenge, Livestock Skillathon

**MONDAY, NOV. 7 – Sign-Up Night for Stock Shows, 5-7 p.m. Parent/Guardian must be present.**

**TUESDAY, NOV. 8 – Rabbit Validation, 5-6 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 9 – Food & Fun Club, 4:30 p.m.**

**NOV. 11-13 – Junior Leadership Retreat at Brownwood for ages 8-14 to learn to lead; Cost $120, half reimbursed by 4-H Parents**

**SATURDAY, NOV. 12 – Swine Validation at Project Center, 9:30 a.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16 – Consumer Project, 4:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, NOV. 17 – Vet Science Project, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

**MONDAY, NOV. 21 – Livestock Club, 6 p.m.**

**NOV. 24-25 – COUNTY OFFICES CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY**

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 30 – County Council, 5:30 p.m. All 4-H members welcome to participate to develop leadership.**

**FRIDAY, DEC. 4 - *Whiteface football in Hereford***

**TUESDAY, DEC. 6 – Rabbit Club, 5-6 p.m.**

**FRIDAY, DEC. 9 – 4-H Christmas Party, 6-8 p.m.**

**DEC. 10-11 – HLSA Panhandle Preview Prospect Show at County Bull Barn, Hereford**

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14 – Food & Fun Club, 4:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, DEC. 15 – Clover Kids, 5:30 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21 – Consumer Project, 4:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, DEC. 22 – Vet Science, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

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**JAN. 4-14 –** [Sandhills Stock Show & Rodeo](http://sandhillsstockshow.com/) **in Odessa**

**JAN. 5-8 – National 4-H Roundup in Denver**

**JAN. 12-14 – Hereford Livestock Show**

**MONDAY, JAN. 16 – HLSA Premium Sale**

**JAN 13-FEB. 4 –** [Fort Worth Stock Show](http://www.fwssr.com/)

**FEB. 3-10 –** [San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo](http://www.sanangelorodeo.com/)

**FEB. 9-26 –** [San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo](http://www.sarodeo.com/)

**MARCH 7-26 –** [Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo](http://www.rodeohouston.com/)

**MARCH 11-25 –** [Austin Stock Show](http://www.rodeoaustin.com/)

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