**Deaf Smith County 4-H News – Sept. 13, 2016**

**ORDER SWINE TAGS NOW - Order swine tags for stock show season, $15 per tag. Call 364-3573 with how many tags are needed and if you will be showing at any local, regional or major shows.**

[**QUALITY COUNTS TEST**](http://agrilife.org/qualitycounts/verification/) **REQUIRED OF 14-YR-OLDS 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 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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**4-H PROJECT PINS – If you did not attend the Achievement Banquet, we have your Project pins at the office for you to pick up during regular office hours.  If you did not receive your Project Pin for a complete project and you submitted the required Project Records, please let us know and we’ll be happy to get your pins to you.**

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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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**TRI-STATE FAIR ENTRIES –** If you have food items, vegetables, artwork, photos, crafts or sewing entries for Tri-State Fair in September, please let us know. Agents are happy to deliver your entries for judging if they have advance notice.

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**ONLINE 4-H ENROLLMENT for the 2016-17 year is open on** [**4-H Connect**](https://texas.4honline.com/Login)**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.* [NOTE: 8-yr-old third graders asked to wait until after Sept. 1 to enroll online] If you prefer to enroll using paper forms, these are available at the local office during normal business hours.**

**LOST & FOUND – Man’s wristwatch with canvas strap. Please call 364-3573 to claim.**

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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. 8-17 –** [**West Texas Fair & Rodeo**](http://www.taylorcountyexpocenter.com/events/west-texas-fair-rodeo) **in Abilene**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 14 – Food & Fun Club, 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 15 – Clover Kids for 1st-2nd graders, 5:30 p.m. Program: *Let’s Make Ice Cream***

**SEPT. 16-24 –** [**Tri-State Fair**](http://www.tristatefair.com) **at Amarillo Fairgrounds**

**MONDAY, SEPT. 19 – Livestock Club for all youth with animal projects, 6 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21 – Consumer Decision, 4:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 22 – Vet Science Project, 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

***FRIDAY, SEPT. 23 – Hereford Whiteface football at Canyon***

**SEPT. 23-Oct. 1 –** [**Panhandle South Plains Fair**](http://southplainsfair.com/) **in Lubbock**

**MONDAY, SEPT. 26 – 4-H Enrollment Day, 4-6 p.m.**

**MONDAY, SEPT. 26 – 4-H Parents Association, 6 p.m. All parents encouraged to attend.**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28 – County Council, 5:30 p.m. All 4-H members welcome to participate to develop leadership.**

***FRIDAY, SEPT. 30 - Hereford Whiteface football in Plainview***

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

**OCT. 2-8 – National 4-H Week**

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

***FRIDAY, OCT. 7 - Hereford Whiteface football in Hereford***

**MONDAY, OCT. 10 – COLUMBUS DAY – County offices closed; No HISD classes**

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

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

**MONDAY, OCT. 17 – Livestock Project, 6 p.m.**

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

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19 – Consumer Project, 4:30 p.m.**

**THURSDAY, OCT. 20 – Vet Science Project, 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

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

**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***

**NOV. 3-5 – District 1 4-H Roundup:** Food Show, Nutrition Quiz Bowl, Beef Quiz Bowl, Horse Quiz Bowl, Swine Quiz Bowl, SET Poster Contest, Ag Product Identification Contest, Swine Skill-a-Thon, Leaders 4 Life, Food Challenge, Livestock Skillathon

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

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

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

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

**THURSDAY, NOV. 17 – Vet Science Project, 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

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

**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***

**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.**

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

**THURSDAY, DEC. 22 – Vet Science, 5:30-6:30 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/)

**Unless otherwise noted, all local 4-H activities are at the offices of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service,**

**located at 903 E. 14th St., Hereford**

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