





#### <u>March</u>

- 4 District Crappie Fishing Event
- 6 HCLS club entries due 1-4 p.m. (your club leader will need your entries in February)
- 8 District Horse judging online deadline
- 11 District Bass Fishing event
- 18 District crappie fishing event
- 18 HCLS Market Rabbit Validation 8-12 p.m.. Henderson County Fair Complex
- 21 District Roundup online deadline
- 27 District Judging Contests Connect Deadline
- 25 District Bass Fishing event
- 27 Council and ALPA meetings 7:00 p.m. at Senior Citizens Center

#### <u>April</u>

- 1 District Crappie Fishing Event
- 1- State Photography entries due to Extension office
- 1 District Horse Judging contest
- 3-8 Henderson County Livestock Show
- 8 District Roundup, SFA
- 11 District Rifle online entry deadline
- 14 Extension office closed
- 21 District Shotgun online entry deadline
- 22 District Livestock Judging, TAMU
- 24 ALPA and Council meetings 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center
- 29 District Rifle contest

#### **Upcoming HCLS Dates**

3/6 - Club Managers: HCLS entries, scholarships and calf scramble applications due to Extension office 1-4 p.m.

3/18– HCLS Market Rabbit Validation, Henderson County Fairpark, 8-12 p.m. Rifle Building 4/3-4/8 - Henderson County Livestock Show

## **ALPA and Council Meetings**

The next meeting will be held Monday, March 27th 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. All parents and 4-H members are welcome to attend. See you there!

Courthouse, 3rd floor 100 E. Tyler St., Suite 300 Athens, TX 75751 Phone: 903-675-6130 Fax: 903-677-7222 http://henderson.agrilife.edu



#### East Texas State Fair Academic Rodeo

Andrew Childress - 1st Ag ID - Middle School

Christopher Childress - 2nd Ag ID High School, 1st writing, 1st overall Youth Fashion Show Laura Ashley Childress - 1st Ag ID High School, 3rd writing, 2nd overall Youth Fashion Show

Other participants: Ryan Aldermann, Peter Cole, Jacob Cole, Anna Cole, Eli Cole, Colton Hemphill, Amelia Abney

#### Fort Worth Stock Show

Casey Pitchford - 1st Santa Gertrudis Junior Heifers class 513, Reserve Champion Junior Heifer

Gracey Pitchford - 3rd Santa Gertrudis Junior Heifers class 507

Molly Boswell - 8th Heavyweight Yorkshire Barrow

Other junior livestock show participants: Maddie Smith, Noah Boswell, Sunni Haire, Sara Rimpel, Shae Rimpel, David Richardson, and Kamryn Bradshaw.

#### San Antonio Livestock Show

Casey Pitchford - Grand Champion Junior Breeding Heifer (below) Jason Silvey - Champion Junior Shoot Out (right)





Libby Rogers - Open gilt show—2nd & 3rd Landrace, 1st Chester White class 18 Landrey Rogers - Open gilt show - 1st & 5th Berkshire class 13, Grand Champion Berkshire Gracey Pitchford - 3rd class 1 Junior Santa Gertrudis show Rowdy Miers - 15th Junior Shoot Out

Molly Boswell - 1st class 18 Hampshire & Heavyweight Runner-up Junior Market Barrow, Open Gilt show 1st & 2nd class 29 Poland China, Grand and Reserve Champion Poland China Noah Boswell - 2nd Class 101 Crossbred Junior Market Barrow

Other participants: Johnna Edwards, Alyssa Hall, Gracie Ivey, Garrison Ivey, Cori Hutchinson, Joshua Jones, Elijah Harrison, and Jake Gaines

#### **District Food Show**

Anna Cole - 7th Jr. Protein Cassity Turner - 3rd Jr. Fruit & Vegetables Colton Hemphill - 3rd Jr. Grain Calista Turner - 1st Jr. Dairy, 3rd Jr. Place Setting Andrew Childress - 1st Int. Protein, 3rd Int. Place Setting, 1st Int. Ag ID Peter Cole - 7th Int. Fruit and Vegetable Eli Cole - 6th Int. Grain Laura Ashley Childress - 1st Sr. Protein, 2nd Sr. Ag ID Christopher Childress - 3rd Sr. Grains, 1st Sr. Ag ID Jacob Cole - 2nd Sr. Dairy Mixed Food Challenge Team #1 3rd Main Dish (Calista Turner, Cassity Turner, Colton Hemphill, Andrew Childress) Mixed Food Challenge Team #2 4th Fruit & Vegetable (Jacob Cole, Eli Cole, Peter Cole, Anna Cole)





#### **District Fashion Show**

Amelia Abney—1st Jr. Construction Theatre/Costume, 2nd Jr. Storyboard Wearable Andrew Childress - 3rd Int. Buying Special Interest Laura Ashley Childress - 1st Sr. Buying Semi-formal to Formal Christopher Childress - 1st Sr. Buying Special Interest, 1st Sr. Storyboard Pet Clothing Anna Cole - 6th Jr. Fabric Creation Duds to Dazzle Team (Anna Cole, Amelia Abney, Megan Hairgrove, Kalae Richey) - 1st Jr/Int. Duds to Dazzle

## **Community Service Opportunities**



#### HCLS Barn Tour Stations & Helpers Needed

The 2017 Henderson County Livestock Show is going to be here before we know it. Each year the Extension Office hosts "Barn Tours" that include a number of educational displays and presentations for elementary aged youth. If you would like to showcase one of your projects and do an approximately 15 minute presentation (multiple times on Thursday, April 6 & Friday, April 7 as we cycle the students through) please let me know! The tours last from approximately 9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. both days.

I am also looking for youth to serve as group leaders to help students navigate their way through the tour **AND** I need 2 youth (who are at least 13 years old) to be in charge of the "egg to chick" station. I will have an incubator with chicks that are in the process of hatching & will need a couple of 4-Her's to talk about them (I already have a short presentation scripted). Please drop me an email at: <u>kate.pittack@ag.tamu.edu</u> or call the office if you can help with anything listed above!

#### 4-H CAMPS AND DISTRICT DEADLINES

#### District Horse Show Deadlines

The District Horse Show will be held Monday, June 12th - Wednesday, June 14th in Athens. The show will be much bigger this year as we have combined with District 4. They will also be offering workshops on the first night of the show on the new classes they are offering and will have a dance.

Online entries for this show are due Thursday, May 18th.

#### Validating Your Horse for District - Deadline April 15th and costs \$10 per horse

Validating your horse(s) for the show will be done online again this year. Every horse shown will be validated through the 4-H Connect system (http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/). You will need to upload your registration papers (if your horse is registered), coggins and photos of your horse when completing the validation process. You will need one photo of the front, one photo of the left side and one photo of the right side. Make sure that the entire horse in the picture or you will have to redo your pictures. Please have your horse validated online before <u>April 15th</u> in case you have problems with the system. If you need help, please let the Extension office staff know and we will help you.

Instructions for validating your horse and entering online, as well as the horse show memo are available on our website http://henderson.agrilife.org/4-h/4h-publications/ . You can also pick them up from our office.

#### Photography– Senior Age Division State Entries Due to Ext. office by April 1<sup>st</sup>

If you have knack for taking photos you should enter them in this contest. There is a category for every photo. Though, your photo must be taken after Jan 1, 2016. Senior State Photography entries are due April 1<sup>st</sup> to kate.pittack@ag.tamu.edu for a county level qualifying round. Visit our website for categories and rules: http://henderson.agrilife.org/4-h/4h-publications/

For more info visit: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/

#### Howard College Goat Camp

June 11th-13th, 2017 \$85 per person (includes meals, shirt, and cap) Bring your lamb or lamb will be provided for an additional \$50.



Open to ages 9 and up. Only 200 registrants allowed to participate. For more information contact Cash Berry at 432-264-5110.

#### 2017 Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Short Courses:

Texas Tech University July 24-27, 2017 Cost: \$250

Texas A&M University July 17-20, 2017 Cost: \$250

#### Selection Criteria:

- Senior age (14-18) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her livestock projects
- Students with a profound interest in animal science and animal production
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others
- Top 25% class rank

#### **Application Process:**

Applicant goes to <u>http://tamuag.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\_0JPBcTafCz8b52J</u> Student will complete the application and enter the contact information of supervising County Extension Agent CEA will be automatically emailed a recommendation survey A selection committee will review the applications and accept **25** participants per university. Applications are due by June 2, 2017.

## 2017 Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Short Course:

Location: Lone Oak Ranch and Retreat, Gainesville Texas Dates: June 25 – June 29 , 2017 Cost: \$250

#### Selection Criteria:

- Senior age (14-18) 4-H youth that have exhibited a superior level of ambition regarding his/her horse projects
- Students with a profound interest in equine science and the horse industry in Texas
- Students have shown advanced leadership qualities and a willingness to help others

Top 25% class rank

#### Application Process:

Applicant goes to <a href="http://tamuag.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\_9U0Bxd2SnJcJnUx">http://tamuag.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\_9U0Bxd2SnJcJnUx</a>

A selection committee will review the applications and accept **25** participants for this course Applications are due **May 1, 2017**. Applicants will be notified by **early June, 2017** regarding application result.

Howard College Lamb Camp

June 4th-6th, 2017 \$85 per person (includes meals, shirt, and cap) Bring your lamb or lamb will be provided for an additional \$50.

Open to ages 9 and up. Only 200 registrants allowed to participate. For more information contact Cash Berry at 432-264-5110.

# GRILIFE Texas 4-H Center

Lake Brownwood, TX



CAMP (GRADE COMPLETED)	ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE	REGISTRATION FEE YOUTH/ADULT
Horizons (grades 4-8)	June 25, 2 pm - June 29, 11 am	\$280/\$140
County Camp I	June 26, 2 pm - June 28, 11 am	\$180/\$90
County Camp II	June 28, 2 pm - June 30, 11 am	\$180/\$90
Mission Possible Mentor Training	July 5, 2 pm - July 6, 2 pm	\$125
Mission Possible	July 6, 2 pm - July 8, 3 pm	\$175/\$100
County Camp III	July 5, 2 pm - July 7, 11 am	\$180/\$90
County Camp IV-Outdoor Adventure	July 10, 2 pm - July 12, 11 am	\$180/\$90
Prime Time Xtreme (grades 8-11)	July 11, 2 pm - July 14, 11 am	\$230/\$115
Prime Time I (grades 5-8)	July 16, 2 pm - July 19, 10 am	\$230/\$115
Prime Time II (grades 2-5)	July 19, 2 pm - July 22, 10 am	\$230/\$115
Fishing Camp	July 24, 2 pm - July 26, 2 pm	\$220/\$110

All camp enrollment is based on grade completed in spring 2017
4-H membership is NOT required to participate in any camp

Pay a deposit by June 14 or pay full amountDiscount for registering by June 14

All adults must enroll as a 4-H volunteer have a verified background check and complete child protection training in 4-H Connect prior to camp.

texas4hcenter.tamu.edu



The application period for youth to apply to participate in National 4-H Congress is March 1 through April 16, all applications must be submitted through 4-H Connect. There is no fee to apply.

National 4-H Congress is held annually in Atlanta, Georgia over the Thanksgiving holidays. The program combines a variety of fun and exciting educational, recreational and networking opportunities. The program combines sessions, seminars, discussion groups, and a service learning experience. The nation's most outstanding community leaders, speakers, and educators present the most current and timely information available.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

To improve the ability of teen 4-H youth to express themselves in written and verbal forms of communication that are necessary and important "life skills" for today and in the future. To increase the awareness of the importance of Leadership, Citizenship, and Community Service in 4-H Youth Development.

#### Eligibility:

Youth who possess the maturity to interact with other youth from different regions, cultures, experiences and beliefs.

Youth in grades 9-12 at time of event, November 23-28, 2017. Youth must still be in high school during the time of the trip. Must have approval of county Extension Office/4-H Coordinator

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Online Application Opens: March 1, 2017 Online Application Closes: April 16, 2017 Interviews Announced: April 28, 2017 Interviews during Roundup: TBD Delegation Announced: June 8, 2017 Deposit (1st Payment) due (\$750.00): June 30, 2017 Final (2nd Payment) due (balance of \$1,000-1,500\*): July 31, 2017 (donor/sponsor search underway; final registration amount to be announced by May 1, but will not exceed \$1,500)



## **HENDERSON COUNTY 4-H** WHIZ BANG BUCKLE SHOOT OUT!!!

March 25, 2017 at Rose City Flying Clays in Tyler, TX. This

shoot is limited to the first 100 4-H shooters for American Skeet, Trap, Whiz-Bang and Sporting Clays. Registration will open at 8:00 AM, Safety at 8:30 AM and shooting will start at 9:00 AM.

We are excited to announce we are using ICLAYS for ALL REGISTRATION THIS YEAR!!!

Deadline for registration: March 1, 2016. Registrations received after March 1, 2017 will be charged a late fee in the amount of \$25.00 if space is available.

> Entry forms available at the Extension office or online at http://hendersoncountyshotgun.org/.

## **Upcoming Livestock Shows**

Flyers and registration forms at Extension office.

Canton FFA Booster Club Junior Livestock Show March 25th Canton, TX	Red River Spring Classic April 1st Paris, TX	<b>Mineola Livestock Show</b> April 1st Mineola, TX
	Check-in 7:00 am 9:00 a.m.	Check-in 7:00 am 9:00 a.m.
Check-in 7:30 am 8:30 a.m.		
	\$20 per animal	\$5 per animal
Steers, Heifers, Lambs,		
Goats and Pigs	Swine, Heifers, Steer, Goats and Lambs	Goats, Lambs, Steers, Heifers, Swine, Dairy Cattle
Entry fees: \$25 a head		
	Cattle show is blow and go.	For more information call Glen
For more information call Bar- bara Metch 903-436-2774 or 903-567-4149.	For more information call Tracy Denny at 903-517-0838	Dossett, by at 903-569-3000 Ext. 231

Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status.

The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating

## **HCLS Reminder Regarding Animal Releases From Show**



To all leaders/advisors & parents,

Once again, I would say that the 2016 Henderson County Livestock Show & Premium Auction was a success. The success of this great organization is a direct reflection of the numerous volunteers and dedicated individuals throughout the community that give of themselves, both time and monetarily speaking. The Board would like to thank each of them as well as every exhibitor that participated in the 2016 show and we look forward to seeing each of you again next year.

The 2016 show went smoothly with the exception of a couple of issues that arose in regards to exhibitors leaving with their projects before the designated time as stated in the HCLS General Rules. These rules can be found on the association's website at, <u>www.hclsathens.com</u> under By-laws & Rules -> General Rules. Below is a copy of the rule in regards to departure times:

## *#5. See Show Schedules for arrival times of animals. All entries and set ups shall remain in place until 1:30pm or until the beginning of the Premium Auction, whichever is later, on Saturday.*

The board has discussed this rule on a number of occasions and like everything else, everyone may not agree with it, but it is a rule and it will be enforced (similar to paying the IRS). If exhibitors and their projects leave prior to the designated schedule of 1:30pm Saturday or the beginning of the Premium Auction, the exhibitor as well as the entire club and/or chapter is subject to 1 year of ineligibility for the following year at the Henderson County Livestock Show. We, the Board, feel that it is the 4-H Club leaders, ag teachers and parents responsibility to follow the rules and set a positive example to the students. You will see additional information in regards to this at check-in in 2017.

We would encourage you to share this information with your students as well as have them send quality thank you cards to their buyers and buckle sponsors. It is a small token of appreciation compared to what they have received monetarily, but it helps ensure that the buyers and sponsors will continue to support the efforts of the HCLS Board.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 903-286-4974 to discuss this more in detail. I wish each of you a safe and enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing each of you again next year.

Sincerely,

Adam Davis HCLS President



## Join us for the Cleveland Amory Black Beauty Ranch 2017 SPRING OPEN HOUSE Saturday April 1 • 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. • Rain or Shine!



### Vendors Wanted!

Cleveland Amory Black Beauty Ranch is looking for local vendors to join us for a fun-filled day at our Spring Open House.

- Non-profit Organizations and Local Artisans welcome
- Must meet FFA/HSUS humane practices
- No booth fee: If selling products, we ask that you donate 15% of total goods sold
- Bring your own tent/tables/displays
- Set up the day before or the morning of April 1 (by 9am)

#### What We Offer:

- Hay rides and bus tours-\$10 per person
- Onsite pet adoptions from the Humane Society of Cedar Creek Lake - Ragtag Rescue
- Reach up to 500 attendees
- Children's activity table
- Educational and advocacy tables
- Keeper talks
- Information about volunteering, internships and our monthly Ranch of Dreams tours
  - On site gift shop

Parking and Festivities Located at:

Doris Day Equine Center 12250 County Road 3806 Murchison, TX 75778

Featuring lunch items for purchase by:



#### For more information:

Please contact Leah Pate, if you are interested in becoming a vendor. Limited space is available so reserve your spot today! Ipate@fundforanimals.org 903-469-3811 Ext.100

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View our Amazon wish list at: http://bit.ly/BBRwishlist