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Lamb County
4-H Newsletter
August, 2017

4-H Achievement
Banquet

Please mark your calendar for our Gold Star Achievement Banquet which will be held on **August 12, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.**

- ✚ The Achievement Banquet will be held at the Sudan High School in Sudan at 6:00 P.M.
- ✚ All 4-H members completing any 4-H project may receive a 4-H project pin and year pin. Pin info forms are due back to the Lamb County Extension Office by **Tuesday, August 1, 2017.**
- ✚ Families attending the banquet are asked to bring as follows:
 - ❖ Littlefield club families are asked to bring 8 pounds of hamburger meat (cooked), lettuce (chopped), tomatoes (diced), salsa, and dessert.
 - ❖ Olton club families are asked to bring 8 pounds of hamburger meat (cooked), grated cheese, Fritos, onions (diced), and dessert.

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- ❖ Sudan club families are asked to bring 8 pounds of hamburger meat (cooked), beans, rice, and dessert.

Club Managers Meeting

Club Managers are scheduled to meet at 5:00 p.m on Monday, August 14, 2017, in the Lamb County Extension Office.

Training for Project Leaders for
Food and Nutrition and
Consumer Decision Making

A Leader Training will be held for Food and Nutrition Projects (Food Show, Nutrition Quiz Bowl, Food Challenge) and for Consumer Decision Making Projects. The

meeting will be held on August 17, 2017 at the Lamb County Extension Office at 5:30. Please make plans to attend this training if you would like to lead or assist in any of these projects! For more information call Katie at 485-9135.

Livestock Updates

Sheep and Goat Tag Orders

Time is approaching to order validation tags for lambs and goats for the 2016-2017 show season. **The deadline for ordering tags will be AUGUST 23, 2017.** All Lamb County 4-H and FFA members who will be completing projects must have their lambs and/or goats validated in order to exhibit at the Lamb County Livestock show or any of the major shows next January – March. Members must complete the validation form located on the Springlake – Earth FFA Website at <http://www.springlake-earthffa.org/Validation/LambCountyValidation.aspx> .

- ❖ In addition, lambs or goats validated for the 2017 State Fair of Texas will have to be re-validated for the 2017-18 winter/spring major shows as State Fair validation tags will not be accepted.
- ❖ The cost of validation tags will **be \$20 each- due at the time of ordering tags (payment received within 10 days)** or tags will not be ordered. If after 10 days past order date, **payment not received- an additional \$25** will be required or tags will not be ordered.
- ❖ If tags are ordered, after August 20, **these late order tags will be \$30 cash plus a late fee of \$10 cash.**
- ❖ Contact Alan Been at Springlake-Earth High School at (806) 257-3755 with questions.
- ❖ The validation process will be done in October, and we are reminding you that the Texas Lamb Breeders Association tag

numbers must be on the validation forms when they are submitted by the October 31st deadline.

Families planning to show for the first time

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS! Any new livestock exhibitors going to show at the local, county, or state stocks show for the first time, this coming year, PLEASE, contact Graham Henley by August 10. He will need your contact information in order to keep you up-to-date with upcoming deadlines related to livestock projects.

Swine Tag Orders

Be watching for more information in September newsletter and updates regarding swine tag orders. That info will be shared as soon as it becomes available.

West Texas Fair (Abilene)

The West Texas Fair (Abilene). Payment and forms are due in the Lamb Co. Extension Office by **Thursday, August 17, 2017.**

State Fair of Texas

The State Fair of Texas (Dallas). They are due in the Lamb Co. Extension Office by **Tuesday, August 22, 2017.** Payment and all forms –Entry Worksheet, Liability Agreement, and W-9 form will all need to be submitted at this time.

South Plains Fair Entries

The South Plains Fair of Texas (Lubbock). Payment and Entry forms are due in the Lamb Co. Extension Office by **Friday, August 11, 2017.**

20th Annual Bob Benson Memorial/4-H EXCELL Golf Tournament

- THE BOB BENSON MEMORIAL /4-H EXCELL GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held on Monday, August 14, 2017 at the Plainview Country Club, Plainview, Texas. Tournament proceeds support :
- The Bob Benson memorial 4-H Scholarship: The Bob Benson Memorial 4-H Scholarship is awarded each year to a deserving 4-H member during Texas 4-H Roundup.
- The 4-H EXCELL Scholarship: The EXCELL Scholarship is used to fund travel for South Plains 4-H members who have qualified for National 4-H activities. EXCELL is an acronym for **EX**perience, **C**itizenship, and **EX**amples for **L**ifetime **L**eadership.
- The format for the tournament is a 4-person scramble. Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams. Lunch will be provided prior to the tournament, Lunch will be served beginning at 11:30. The tournament will begin at 1:00 p.m. The tournament is limited to 22 teams so get your entries in early. The entry fee is \$50 per person or \$200 per team. Individuals are welcome. Your entry fee covers the green fee, cart rental, lunch, beverages, and all the run you can have!
- Opportunities for sponsorship are also available. They include:
 - Tee Sponsor \$150
 - Green Sponsor \$100
 - Door Prize Sponsor Items that can be given as a door prize
 - Tournament Sponsor \$50 - \$99
- Entries are due August 4th.
- For more information, contact the Extension Office at 806-485-9135.

Let's Go...Let's Grow!

4-H Enrollment 2016-2017

It's time to enroll in the 2017-2018 4-H year. The Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program will charge an annual participation fee 2017-2018, the enrollment fee is \$20 from Sept 1 – October 31. Enrollment fees after Oct. 1 is \$25.

The participant fee will ensure that the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service can continue to deliver the highest quality 4-H program in the world. A recent national research study shows:

- ✿ Members reporting better grades, higher level of academic competence, and an elevated engagement in school.
- ✿ Two times as many members likely to plan to go to college than non-members.
- ✿ Members that reveal significantly lower drug, alcohol and cigarette use than their peers.
- ✿ Members are three times more likely to actively contribute to their communities when compared with youth that do not participate in 4-H.

Clover kids (children in grades Kindergarten through 2nd grade) may also enroll. There is no enrollment fee for them.

Texas is proud to boast the largest 4-H membership enrollment, total 4-H participation, and the largest volunteer base in the United States. The enrollment fee is an investment in the youth of Texas.

All Adult Leaders will need to enroll at this time also. There is a \$5.00 fee for the volunteer screening process which is a part of the Youth Protection Standards.

Come be a part of **MAKING THE BEST BETTER!**

Go to <https://texas.4honline.com> to begin the enrollment process.

If you have any questions, please call Lamb County Extension Office at 485-9135

Lamb County Extension and 4-H on Facebook!

Check out Lamb County Extension and 4-H on Facebook! Event and activity updates will be posted regularly. Also check out the Lamb County Extension website. Newsletters have been posted and events listed.

If you would like one of your club events posted, please call Lamb County Extension at 485-9135 and it will get posted.

The website is located at <http://lamb.agrilife.org>

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Calendar of Events

August 11 – South Plains Fair of Texas
Entries Due

**August 12—Lamb County Achievement
Banquet**

August 14—Bob Benson Golf Tournament

August 14- Club Manager's Meeting

**August 17— Leader Training for Foods and
Consumer Decision Making**

August 17—West Texas Fair Entries Due

August 22—State Fair of Texas Entries Due

**August 23—Deadline for ordering Sheep
and Goat Tags**

September 16

September 1 – 4-H Enrollment Begins