LIVE OAK COUNTY

4-H NEWSLETTER

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MEETING DATES .....

George West 4-H Club - Will meet on Sunday, January 3, 2016, at the Live Oak Co. District Courtroom, 2nd floor of the Courthouse beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Brush Country 4-H Club - Will meet on Sunday, January 10, 2016, at Letha's class room beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Three Rivers- Will meet on Monday, January 4, 2016 at the Lutheran Church (Big Classroom) in Three Rivers beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Longhorn 4-H - Will meet on Tuesday, January 12, 2015 in the District Courtroom of the Live Oak County Courthouse, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Kuntry Kids- Will meet on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at the Swinney Switch Volunteer Fire Dept. beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Nueces River Valley 4-H - Will meet on Monday, January 18, 2016 at the Lutheran Church beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Live Oak Leaders 4-H - Will meet on Thursday, January 11, 2016 at Williams Bookkeeping at 7:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: The 2016 Live Oak County Fair will be held on MARCH 3, 4, & 5, 2016. This is the 1st weekend in March, therefore you must make your three (3) meetings prior to Feb. 24, 2016. Also *YOU MUST REGISTER For 4-H or FFA BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2015 if you are going to compete in the Fair.*

4-H is an educational program that is open to all youth regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin. The age policy states: "Anyone may become a member of 4-H when he/she has reached nine years of age or has entered the third grade. A youth's last year in 4-H shall be the calendar year in which the 19th birthday has occurred."

PARTS OF A MEETING.....

4-H Motto: "To Make The Best Better"
4-H Pledge: " I pledge My **Head** to clearer thinking; My **Heart** to greater loyalty; My **Hands** to larger service, and my **Health** to better living; For my **club**, my **community**, my **country**, and my **world**."

4-H Prayer: "Help me, O Lord, to live so that the world may be a little better because thou didst make me." Amen

4-H AGE DIVISIONS.....
Grades 3, 4 & 5 ..... Junior Division
Grades 6, 7, & 8 ..... Intermediate Division
Grades 9, 10, 11, & 12 ..... Senior Division

IMPORTANT DATES.....

December
5th - Live Oak County Fair Validation for Lambs, Goats, & Swine at the Live Oak Co. Fairgrounds from 8 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.
12th & 13th - Live Oak County Buyers Group Steer, Heifer, Lamb, Goat & Swine Prospect Show at the Live Oak County Fairgrounds.23rd,
24th & 25th - Holidays, Office Closed

January
1st - Office Closed, Happy New Year's

CONTESTS REQUIRING REGISTRATION on 4-H CONNECT.....

Contest	Open	Close
SS Postal League	2/1/16	2/25/16
Dist. Fashion Show	3/1/16	3/22/16
Dist. Photography	3/1/16	3/24/16
D. Roundup Educational Pres..	3/8/16	3/29/16
SS Dist. Rifle Match	3/15/16	4/05/16
D. 12 Livestock Judging	3/22/16	4/12/16
D. 12 Roundup Soil/Range Eval.	3/22/16	4/12/16

4-H STORIES & PHOTO'S FOR THE NEWSLETTER.....
If anyone is interested in emailing me a photo, along with a story of their members for the newsletter please feel free to do so. We have a scanner, so you can bring in a photo or email them to jmonse@ag.tamu.edu and I will be happy to include it in the newsletters. It will be great to share with other clubs what you all are doing.

4-H OPPORTUNITIES SCHOLARSHIP.....
For all High School Seniors who are interested in filling out a scholarship application, go to www.texas4h.tamu.edu and fill out the scholarship and turn it in to our office on or before January 20th so that our agents can look it over to see if you need to make changes. Then you will need to turn it in by Friday, January 26th so that we can mail it to the District office to meet the deadline of Feb. 5, 2016.

COUNTY 4-H FOOD SHOW.....
The Live Oak County 4-H Food Show was held on Sunday, October 18th at the Live Oak County Coliseum Annex. The results were:

In the Junior Division:

Dairy Category - Cassidy Slavinski won a Blue Award and will advance to District.
Fruit & Vegetables Category - Caitlyn Wientjes won a Blue Award and will advance to District.
Grains Category - Saeleigh DuBose won a Blue Award and will advance to District. Shelby Slavinski placed 2nd.
Protein Category - Shambryn DuBose won a Blue Award and will advance to District.

In the Intermediate Division:

Fruit & Vegetable Category - Lacie Brown won a Blue Award and will advance to District.

In the Senior Division:

Fruits & Vegetable Category - Kylie Garner won a Blue Award and will advance to District.
Grains Category - Bryce Hanshaw won a Blue Award and will advance to District.
Protein Category - Nathan Culpepper won a Blue Ribbon and will advance to District.

We also had 2 Food Challenge Teams in the County event. One Junior Team and One Senior Team who will also advance to District and they are as follows:

Junior Team - Blue Award:
Saeleigh DuBose, Caitlyn Wientjes, Shelby Slavinski, Lacie Brown and Kacee Bednorz.

Senior Team - Blue Award:
Nathan Culpepper, Kaitlyn Noel, Kailyn Martinez, and Dawson Bednorz
Congratulations to all participants and Good Luck at the District Competetioin.

County Food Show Photos:

County Food Show Participants: Front row, left to right, Cassidy Slavinski, Shambryn DuBose. Second row left to right, Shelby Slavinski, Caitlyn Wientjes, Saeleigh DuBose, Lacie Brown. And back row, left to right, Nathan Culpepper, Bryce Hanshaw & Kylie Garner.

Lacie Brown

Bryce Hanshaw
Kylie Garner
Nathan Culpepper

Cupcake Cuties - Junior Food Challenge Team

Left to right: Shelby Slavinski, Saeleigh DuBose, Lacey Brown, Kacee Bednorz & Caitlyn Wientjes.

Cupcake Cuties at Work!

Senior Food Challenge Team

Dawson Bednorz
Kailyn Martinez
Kaitlyn Noel &
Nathan Culpepper

Senior Food Challenge Team at District - won 3rd place and get to advance on to state!

District Food Show Winners below:

Bryce Hanshaw

Kaitlyn Wientjes

Cassidy Slavinski

Lacie Brown

Nathan
Culpepper

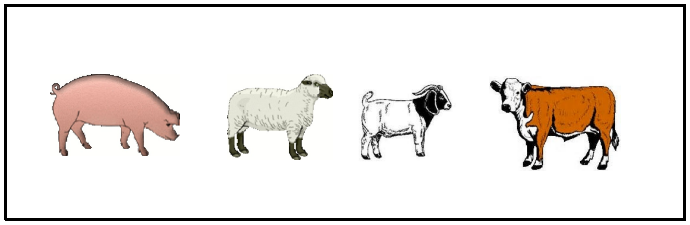
Saeleigh
DuBose

Shambryn DuBose

Kaitlyn Noel & Lacey Brown

Senior Food Challenge Team are Going to STATE!

Junior Food Challenge Team at District



RABBIT VALIDATION.....
Rabbit Validation for the Live Oak County Fair will be held on **Saturday, February 6, 2016** at the Live Oak County Fairgrounds in the Beefmaster Building from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. **PLEASE NOTE: The fair rules which I sent out in the September newsletter shows the Rabbit Validation to be on Feb. 14th! This is NOT correct, as it was last years date and we did not know the exact date when we made the Fair Rule Corrections.**

SHEEP, GOAT & SWINE SCALES.....
Scales are available to be checked out at the Extension office. Please stop by and sign them out and you will be given instructions from there. They must also be signed back in once they are returned**.**

Sincerely,

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

PLEASE NOTE:
ALSO MAKE SURE YOU ARE REGISTERED FOR 4-H OR FFA PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1, 2015 OR YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2016 LIVE OAK COUNTY FAIR.

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