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RAINS 4-H CLUB

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THE 4-H TIMES



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RAINS 4-H CLUB MEETING

**** DATE CHANGE ****

The Rains 4-H Club Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 16, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Conference Center on Highway 276 in Emory.

We will be holding Officer elections at this meeting, so please plan to attend.

Rains County Kids Fishin' Fair

The Rains County Kids Fishin' Fair (formerly known as Hooked on Fishing Not on Drugs) will be held on **MAY 18, 2013** at 8:00 A.M. at Thousand Trails/South Park on Lake Tawakoni.

This tournament is open to all children 16 years old and younger.

OFFICER ELECTIONS — 2013-2014

Officers for the 2013-2014 Rains 4-H Club will be elected during the May 16, 2013 4-H Meeting. Two sets of Officers will be elected - **SENIOR** and **JUNIOR** Officers.

Senior Officers must be at least 14 years old by August 31, 2013. Junior Officers will be younger than 14 as of August 31, 2013. The following Officers will be elected: (A Senior and a Junior set): President, Vice President, Secretary, Reporter and Recreation Chairman.

If you would like to be considered for an Officer, you must sign up by **May 10, 2013**.

PROJECT NEWS/MISCELLANEOUS

Mother's Day Nursing Home Project

The Rains 4-H Club is partnering with the Rains Garden Club to honor the mothers at the Senior Suites Nursing Home. They are partnering with Country Flowers and Gifts to donate fresh flower bud vases to give the ladies and our 4-H members will hand deliver them to the residents.

Please meet at the Senior Suites Nursing Home on **Thursday, May 9, 2013 at 3:45 P.M.** Parents, please stay with your children because this will not take more than 30 minutes.

Please call the office and let us know if you can help.

Summer Project Camps

FCS Summer Camps - These projects are still being planned. We will mail flyers when we have details, dates, and times.

2013 4-H Multi-County Camp

The 2013 4-H Multi-County Camp will be held at Lakeview Baptist Encampment in Lone Star, Texas on **July 8-10, 2013**. A \$100.00 (non-refundable) registration fee and camp forms are due to the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office by **Friday, May 17, 2013**. This camp is open to all 4-H members. Forms are available at our office.

District IV 4-H Horse Show

The District IV 4-H Horse Show will be held on June 18 and 19, 2013 in Sulphur Springs. If you are interested in attending, please sign up at the office by **May 3, 2013**.

You must validate your horses prior to May 1, 2013 to be eligible for this show.

Rains 4-H Club Awards Applications

Awards applications may be picked up at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office for the Gold Star, Junior Bronze Star, Intermediate Silver Star, Rookie of the Year, and the Danforth "I Dare You" Awards. Applications must be turned in to the Extension Office by **Friday, May 17, 2013**. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS!**

LIVESTOCK UPDATES

Rains County Junior Livestock Show

Tag-in for pigs and lambs will be held on Saturday, June 8 from 8:00 - 10:00 A.M. at the Rains County Fairgrounds.

Market hogs must weigh 220 to 270 pounds with a 5-pound allowance at ending weigh-in on September 11th.

SHOW ANIMAL FEEDING CLINIC - June 8, 2013 - Show Animal Feeding Clinic will be held at the Rains County Fairgrounds. Registration will start at 10:00 A.M. immediately following Tag-In and the program will begin at 10:30 A.M. (Flyer attached)

Project Visits

If you would like Stephen Gowin, or the Ag Science teachers, to come out and look at your projects during the summer months, please contact our office at 903-473-4580.

Stephen plans to visit each 4-H member. However, if he does not know where you live, he will be unable to visit. If you are a new member, please call the office to provide directions to your home.

Hog and Lamb Scales

The 4-H hog and lamb scales are kept at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office on Highway 276 in Emory. These scales are for your use. If anything breaks on the scales, please be sure to tell Stephen Gowin, so that they can be repaired.

The scales are on a trailer from now on and they will be locked at all times. You must call the office to check them out.

If you check out the scales from the Extension Office, please be sure to return them **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!**

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