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RAINS 4-H CLUB

November-December 2013

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THE 4-H TIMES



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RAINS 4-H CLUB BUYER APPRECIATION DINNER & AWARDS BANQUET

The Buyer Appreciation Dinner & Awards Banquet will be held on Thursday, **November 21, 2013** at 6:30 P.M. at the Best Western, Emory. Cost is \$5.00 per person, which offsets the cost of the room and a catered dinner. Please contact our office by **Friday, November 8th** to RSVP and purchase your dinner tickets.

At this dinner we will recognize the buyers and each 4-H member will personally hand their thank you cards to their respective buyer. We will then present 4-H awards, and lastly we will present the livestock checks to the 4-H members.

We thank you in advance for supporting this change in our distribution of livestock checks and view it as an opportunity to continue to secure buyers for our livestock sale.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Go "Like" our Facebook Page at:

[Facebook.com/Rains4HClub](https://www.facebook.com/Rains4HClub) to get the latest news, updates and pictures.

IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Thursday, December 5, 2013 - 3:45 P.M.

FCS Holiday Craft Project Meeting

Make ornaments for Rains County Courthouse Christmas Tree.
Parents welcome, too.

Reminder for those who have registered:

Tuesday, November 12 - 6:00 P.M.

Food and Nutrition Project Meeting

Cake Decorating Class.



PROJECT NEWS

Success Stories

Gold Star Reception

Taylor Young and Jena McCall were honored at the Gold Star Awards Reception on October 19 at the Fall Focus Training in Sulphur Springs.

Congratulations to these two young ladies for this accomplishment.

Poinsettia Sales

We are selling beautiful holiday poinsettias for our Scholarship Fund. All orders are due in our office on **Friday, November 15, 2013**.

The 4-H member with the highest number of sales will win \$50.00.

District IV 4-H Photography Contest

The 4-H Photography Contest Deadline is **Friday, November 8**. All pictures must be submitted via a flash drive.

County Food Show

The Rains 4-H Club County Food Show will be held on **Thursday, December 12, 2013** at 6:00 P.M. at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Conference Center.

If you plan on competing at the County Food Show, please call our office and register by **December 6, 2013**.



LIVESTOCK UPDATES

Upcoming Livestock Shows

Van Zandt County 4-H Beef Club Fall Festival & Show - November 9th - 9:00 A.M. - Van Zandt County Fairgrounds. (Contact: Bryan Fullwood - 903-880-7273)

Cooke County 4-H Steer & Heifer Fun Show - November 9th - 9:00 A.M. - Cooke County Fair Grounds - Gainesville. (Contact: Beverly Fleitman - 940-727-8053)

District 7 Livestock Clinic & Project Show - November 23rd - Runnels County Show Barn/Ballinger Community Center. (Contact: Marty Gibbs - 325-365-2219)

Bandera FFA Booster Club Fall Classic Market Lamb & Goat Show - December 7th - Mansfield Park - Bandera. (Contact: Michael Derry - 830-796-1437).

Major Show Entry Deadlines

The major show entry deadline is Thursday, **November 7, 2013**. In order to participate in major shows, you must submit an entry form by this date.

Please print all rules as they pertain to your Show. You can check the following websites to download entry forms, rules and regulations.

www.sarodeo.com

www.hlsr.com

www.sanangelorodeo.com

www.fwstockshowrodeo.com

www.rodeoaustin.com

Livestock Judging

If you are interested in Livestock Judging, please call the office as soon as possible.

Stock Show Corner

All the of the kids that participated at Waco and the State Fair of Texas did a tremendous job. I just wanted to let each of them know how proud I am of them. Each of these kids represented the Rains 4-H Program in a very positive manner.

Congratulations to all!

Stephen Gowin

UPDATES

Livestock Sale Thank You Notes

Thank you notes were due November 1, 2013. Some exhibitors still have not brought their thank you notes to the office.

When checks are released, you will **NOT** receive your payment, if your cards are not provided.

Scholarship Point Sheets

All Senior 4-H members (ages 14 and up) need to pick up your Scholarship Points Sheet. It is due on **May 9, 2014**.

Remember - You have to submit one each year of your high school career each June.

Record Books

Your livestock record books may be picked up at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office, 410 Tawakoni Drive between 7:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. After November 8th, any remaining books will be thrown away.

4-H/AgriLife Website

Please visit our website at: rains.agrilife.org. You will find information regarding 4-H, Publications, Events and News Articles.

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