



"To Make The Best Better"

RAINS 4-H CLUB

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WELCOME 2018!

Once again we welcome a new year. With that always comes a sense of renewal for the upcoming year. We are very proud of the success our club has achieved since we started the new 4-H year in August, but there is still a great deal to accomplish in 2018. We highly encourage our members and parents to get involved in our club! This means attending the monthly meetings, reading the 4-H Times and participating in the projects and activities. For Senior 4-H members, this means scholarship points!

We need parent volunteers and members who want to get involved. Please remember, our club is only as strong as its members.

We look forward to working with all of you as the Rains 4-H Club continues to grow and prosper in our county.

Denita and Stephen



RAINS 4-H CLUB MEETING

The Rains 4-H Club will meet on **Thursday, January 25, 2018 at 6:00 PM** at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Conference Center.

Armando Ayala and Aubrey Gowin will be presenting their award winning Educational Presentations demonstrations. This is a great opportunity for the 4-H members and their families to get a better idea of how this contest works.

All 4-H members are urged to plan to attend our first meeting of the new year. Bring a friend and join us for a great meeting!

PROJECT NEWS

Educational Presentations

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Foods & Nutrition Project Series/Food Challenge Project

The 4-H Foods & Nutrition Project Series - Cooking in the Kitchen - will be held in three sessions: January 18, January 25 and February 1, 2018. Cost is \$10.00 which covers all 3 sessions. Each session will also have a cooking segment. **(A flyer regarding this project is attached for your information). Please register by Friday, January 5, 2018.**

Poinsettia Sales Update

A special thank you to all who participated in this fundraiser benefitting the 4-H Scholarship Fund. There were 408 poinsettias sold, with a profit of \$1,662.75 for our Scholarship Fund. First Place prize winner of \$50.00 was Blake Alexander who sold 58 plants.

Bell Ringer Project

Thank you to Mrs. Sustaire and Mrs. Cook for chairing the Good Samaritans Bell Ringer Project. We appreciate all their hard work on the project. Also, thank you to the 4-H members and their parents for participating in the project. You all did a wonderful job representing the Rains 4-H Club during the holiday season.

Archery Project

Anyone wishing to sign up for Archery should call the office by **January 31st**.

Autism MX Community Service Project

Thanks to all the kids that assisted in this wonderful Project. We sure hope to make this an annual event. Thank you to Dave and Kerrie Olivarez for all of their hard work.

LIVESTOCK UPDATES

Upcoming Livestock Shows

Jan. 12 - Feb. 3 - Fort Worth Livestock Show - Will Rogers Coliseum - Fort Worth, TX

Jan. 13 - Swine Jackpot Show - Kaufman County Fairgrounds - Kaufman, TX

Jan. 14 - Cass County Cattleman's Association Winter Show - Cass Co. Expo Center - Atlanta, TX

Feb. 2 - 18 - San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo - San Angelo, TX

Feb. 8 - 24 - San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo - San Antonio, TX

Feb. 27 - Mar. 18 - Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo - NRG Park, Houston TX

Mar. 10 - 24 - Rodeo Austin, Austin, TX

For additional information regarding any of these shows, please contact our office. You may also visit the following website for upcoming shows: www.area6ffa.org.

UPDATES

Scholarship Deadlines

Attention High School Seniors

Scholarship Points Sheet is due **Friday, May 4, 2018**. Do not forget to have the High School Principal and Counselor fill out their parts.

Attention High School Freshman to Juniors

Scholarship Points Sheet is due **Friday, May 4, 2018**.

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