



Welcome to the 2017-18 4-H Year

It is that time of year for 4-H enrollment. New and returning 4-H members and adults can start enrolling for the 2017-18 4-H year. Participation fees are: **September 1st to October 31st - \$20 and November 1st to end of 4-H year - \$25.**

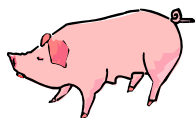
Go to 4-H Connect at:

<https://texas.4honline.com> to enroll.

(Remember if you are re-enrolling please just update your profile. DO NOT Create a new profile.) You must pay by credit/debit card. DO NOT choose county check.

Sheep/Goat/Swine Project Meeting

**Tuesday, November 7
6 p.m.
County Show Barns**



2017 Swine Validation

Kress - Nov. 5, 2017— 2:00 to 4:00 pm
at the Kress Ag Famr.

Happy- Nov. 12, 2017—2:00 to 4:00 pm
at the Happy Ag Farm

Tulia - Nov. 19, 2017—2:00 to 4:00 pm
at Tulia Ag Farm

Meats Judging Practices

Sundays at 6:00 p.m.
at the Extension Office
Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.
at First Baptist Church Happy

District Meat Judging Contest

Monday, December 11, 2017
Meats Lab, Texas Tech University
1:00 p.m.
4-H Connect Registration Deadline:
December 1st - \$15

GOLD STAR BANQUET

November 20, 2017

TTU Frazier Alumni Pavilion
Swisher County Distinguished leaders and Gold Star recipients will be honored at the D-2 Gold Star Banquet

Distinguished Leader recipients

are: Aaron and Betty Wesley

Gold Star recipients are:

Gentry Wesley and
Savannah Wesley



Swisher County 4-H Winter Dance

December 2, 2017

8:00—10:00 p.m. or
immediately following
the Tulia Christmas Parade
County Show Barns

Hosted by the Swisher County 4-H
Council and the Swisher County
4-H Adult Leaders Association
You could win \$25 if you bring a
non 4-H friend to the dance.
Admission-2 canned goods

Ring the Bell for Tulia Unit Salvation Army

Volunteers are needed to man the kettles and ring the bells for donations for the Salvation Army during the Christmas Holidays. Dates and times are: December 1&2, 8&9, 15& 16 Fridays 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with one hour shifts. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Extension Office at 806-995-3726 to sign up for a time. The organization that raises the most donations will be treated to a pizza party.

D-2 4-H Food Show & Nutrition Quiz Bowl

November 11, 2017

Levelland High School

Food Show Theme:

Fresh From the Farm

Community Service Project:

Monetary collection benefitting the
Wounded Warrior Project

Good Luck to:

Addi, Avery, Claire, Tanner, Cutter,
Sadie, Megan, Landry, Jerik, Ember,
Amanda, Luke, and Chambre.

4-H Adult Leaders Association Meeting

November 16, 2017

Place to be Announced

6:00 p.m.

Consumer Decision Making Project

Come learn how to be a smart shopper and get the most bang for your buck with Consumer Decision Making. Project meetings will be Thursdays 4:00 p.m. at the Extension Office and Sundays at 4:00 p.m. at the County Barn starting November 9th. Summer Davis and Calley Runnels will be our leaders.

District Contest will be Saturday, December, 9, 2017 in Lubbock.

Memorials

Swisher 4-H Adult Leaders Country Friends EE

In Memory of Rita Dobbs
In Memory of Karen McBride
David and Glenda Gibson

Tulia Buyers Club

In Memory of Francisco Castillo
In Memory of Rita Dobbs
In Memory of Karen McBride
Kelly and Donna Adams



Club Meetings

Kress Club Meeting

November 6 at 7:00 p.m.
Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
Program: Runnels Family
Refreshments: Aguilera Family
Community Service:
Thanksgiving Canned Goods

Happy Club Meeting

November 13 at 6:00 p.m.
Community Center
Program: White Family
Refreshments: Blackmon Family
Community Service: Caney 4-H

Town & Country Club Meeting

November 27 at 7:00 p.m.
County Show Barns
Inspiration: Ashley Watkins
Program: Shaleigh Long
Community Service
Kari Johnson
Pet Supplies for Hurricane Relief
Snack: Kacie Conaway

2017/2018

County 4-H Council Officers

Co-Chairs.....Summer Davis
Ember Reed
Secretary.....Luke Unterkircher
Treasurer.....Brayden White
Reporter.....Jerik Reed
District Council Delegates.....
Ember Reed, Summer Davis
District Delegate at Large.....
Nathaniel Longoria
Junior Council Delegates.....
Laynee Unterkircher, Landon Flowers
Junior Council Alternate Delegates...
Ashlyn White, Chambre Clawson

2017/2018

Kress 4-H Club Officers

PresidentAmanda Vancil
1st Vice PresidentCorbin Bechtold
2nd Vice PresidentZaden Tye
3rd Vice PresidentZant Tye
TreasurerKatlyn Goss
SecretaryBrook Goss
Sr Council Delegates ...Bentley Herbert
Paige Bechtold
Jr Council Delegates .. Corbyn Goss
Cole Todd, Tripp Runnels
Reporter.....Avery Goss
Sargent at Arms.....Addi Reed
Club Manager.....Tiffany Reed
Assistant Manager.....Alanda Todd

2017/2018

Happy 4-H Club Officers

PresidentBrayden White
Vice PresidentBailee Baggerman
TreasurerLandon Flowers
SecretaryAshlyn White
Jr Council DelegatesJoey Blackmon
Kirsten Simons, Bryson White
Club Manager.....Jodi Baggerman
Assistant Manager.....Nicki Sturgess

2017/2018

Town & Country 4-H Club Officers

PresidentEmber Reed
1st Vice PresidentSummer Davis
2nd Vice PresidentTate Gore
3rd Vice PresidentJerik Reed
TreasurerLuke Unterkircher
SecretaryChambre Clawson
Sr Council Delegates...Kacie Conaway
Luke Unterkircher
Jr Council Delegates .. Kari Johnson
Paige Bremmer
Sadie Nolen
Reporter.....Gentry Wesley
Sargent at Arms.....Kari Johnson
Seth Gore
Parliamentarians.....Sadie Nolen
Trinity Height
Public Relations.....Ashley Watkins
Laynee Unterkircher
Health & Safety Officers ..
Kacie Conaway
Samantha Catlett
Club Manager.....Aaron Wesley
Assistant Manager...Dana Unterkircher

NEED A 4-H REMINDER? Sign up to receive text messages to remind you about 4-H Club Meetings and events.

Swisher County 4-H

Text @swishe to 806-730-2385 to receive text reminders about county wide 4-H activities.

Tulia 4-H

Text @79088 to 806-730-2385 to receive reminders about Town & Country 4-H Club Meetings and Project activities for Tulia 4-H members.

Happy 4-H

Text @79042 to 806-730-2385 to receive reminders about Happy 4-H Club Meetings and project activities for Happy 4-H members.

Kress 4-H

Text @kress52 to 806-730-2385 to receive reminders about Kress 4-H Club Meetings and project activities for Kress 4-H members.

To receive text reminders about
4-H Rifle Activities

text@swi4hrifle to 81010

To receive text reminders about

4-H Robotics

text@4hrobots to 81010

Texas AgriLife Extension Service

Swisher County

310 W. Broadway

Tulia, Texas 79088

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Swisher County Extension is on the Web at
<http://swisher-tx.tamu.edu/>

You can get the newsletter, find information about up-coming events, and find out about Swisher County.

Swisher County 4-H Times

Texas AgriLife Extension Service

Calley Runnels

Calley Runnels, CEA-FCS

John Villalba

John Villalba, CEA-Ag

4-H Club Meetings

4-H clubs are the good way to find out what's going on, learn leadership skills, and be involved in community service. It is important that parents attend 4-H club meetings. Your family will get the most out of the 4-H program if you participate together. Club Managers work hard to make meetings fun and interesting. Swisher County 4-H has four clubs. Make plans to be an active part of a 4-H club this year and bring a friend. Beginning New 4-H year 2017/2018.



If you plan to show at a major stock show, and you do **NOT** HAVE A **Quality Counts** number, you need to take the exam. <http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu> The following students have taken the Junior Verification Exam which are expiring this summer and you will be classified as a Senior. These students will need to take the Senior Exam in order to stay verified through Quality Counts. Those needing to take for sure are Brenden Adams, Leron Brunson, Jerik Reed, Gentry Wesley When taking a new exam please note that a new Certificate Number will be generated for each student. Please use this new number for any entries that ask for the student's Quality Counts Certificate Number. **KEEP A COPY OF YOUR CERTIFICATE WHEN YOU TAKE THE EXAM.** The students that need to take the Senior Quality Counts are: Kacie Conway, Carson McDaniel, and Bentlee Hebert. These students can re-take their exams at anytime by visiting, <http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu> Call the office if you need assistance or would like a training session we do as a group. We will do a session if there is enough interest.

Outdoor Education Project

November Meeting
Date and Time To Be Announced.
County Show Barns
We will have a guest speaker, Dane Swinburn.

Judy Moore Memorial Showcase

Saturday, November 11, 2017
Moore County Community Building
1600 South Maddox, Dumas, TX 79029

Open to all 4-H and FFA Members
PeeWee Showmanship- Free
Old Timers Showmanship- \$5
to take place inbetween shows
Dorper Sheep Class will be offered

Ring A
\$25 Entry Fee
Cash Ring:
Grand Champion-\$300
Reserve Grand - \$150
60% Payback in Class and Divisions

Ring B
\$10 Entry Fee
Prize Ring:
Will have a variety of prizes for Grand Champion, Reserve Grand and Division Winners

Must Enter Ring A
to Enter Ring B
CASH ONLY

Weight Cards: 9:00AM
Showmanship: 10:00AM
Ring A: Lambs following showmanship
Ring B: Goats Following Showmanship

Classification at Judges discretion
Clip at your discretion
No bedding in barn
No clipping in Barn
NO FUNGUS

Bake Sale Day of Show
to benefit Emma Preston

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION
OFFICE (806) 935-2594
MARCEL FISCHBACHER, JR.
(806) 336-1708



Potter & Randall County 4-H Rabbit Jackpot Show

December 9, 2017
9:00 a.m.

Happy State Bank Randall County
Event Center
111 East Loop 335 South
Amarillo, Texas
\$3.50 Early Entry
\$5.00 Late Entry

Prizes & Ribbons for Breed Placings
\$100 Best in Show
\$60 First Reserve
\$40 Second Reserve

All 4-H and FFA members invited.
Early entry deadline of December 1. Day of Show: Event center opens at 7:00 a.m.
Late entry cut off at 8:30 a.m. Show starts at 9:00 a.m.

Prizes for breeds with more than 5 entries. Make checks payable to Lone Star Rabbit Club. Email entries to codyoquinn@gmail.com or mail to 214 Bordeaux Lane Amarillo, Texas 79119



Rabbit Project Meetings November 12, 2017

Rabbit project meetings after this will be every second Sunday afternoon of each month at County Show Barns from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Meetings will continue through the month of December. If you have questions please call Mary Bremmer at 995-2656 or 729-2393.

County/Major Show Sign-Up

Thursday, November 2, 2017
at the Extension Office
10 am-8 pm

Aleesha Boyett competed at the 94th ARBA National Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana October 1-5th. There were approximately 22,000 rabbits in the show, which lasted 2 prep days, 3 show days and 1



check out day. There were 100 Flemish Giant rabbits with representation from all 7 varieties. The 7 varieties are black, blue, fawn, light grey, sandy, and white. Aleesha had Best Opposite Sex Fawn, which is second place out of 40 fawn Flemish and her was the buck. She also took Best Display for all Flemish Giants. Her rabbit, Peyton, demonstrated the best qualities for display and presentation on the table during judging and the National Federation of Flemish Giant Rabbit Breeders Association presented her with a trophy. Overall, Aleesha did not place lower than 5th with the 13 rabbits she took to compete with. She even bred, raised and took two fawns. One of the fawns she gave to the man who started her in Flemish. That junior fawn competed in the Open show (adults) and placed 4th out of 29 junior fawns.

Educational programs of the Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

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

If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Swisher County Extension office at 806-995-3726 at least 2 weeks prior to the program or event.

Panhandle South Plains Fair Results

Youth Culinary & Textiles

Megan Woods -
3rd Dill Pickles

Wil Woods -
3rd Hot Sauce
Honorable Mention -
Wood Burning

Evan Eastwood -
1st No Bake Cookies

Katlynn Weaver -
2nd No Bake Cookies

Ember Reed
3rd Pillowcase

Kirsten Simons
Honorable Mention
Pillowcase

Avery Goss
Honorable Mention
Pillowcase

Landry Young
Honorable Mention
No Bake Cookies

Cutter Runnels
2nd Muffins
2nd Quick Bread
Honorable Mention
No Bake Cookies
3rd Decorated T-Shirt
Honorable Mention
Pillow

Jenna Van Pelt
3rd Fudge

Tripp Runnels
3rd Banana Bread
Honorable Mention
Pajama pants
Honorable Mention
Pillow
Honorable Mention
Muffins

Chambre Clawson
3rd Candy Bag

Kenadi Hurst
1st Muffins
2nd Cookies
2nd Bundt Cake
1st "Cute" Color
Photo
Honorable Mention
"Cute" Black &
White Photo

Youth Steer Show

Cutter Runnels
5th Cross
Tripp Runnels
11th Cross

County 4-H Food Show Results

JUNIOR

Protein	Grains
1 st Kirsten Simons	1 st Addi Reed
2 nd Jaikylie Baker	2 nd Sofia Aguilera
3 rd Kari Johnson	3rd Claire Lostroh
Fruits & Vegetables	Dairy
1 st Avery Goss	1 st Tanner Lostroh
2 nd Tripp Runnels	

INTERMDIATE

Protein	Dairy
1 st Cutter Runnels	1 st Bentlee Hebert
2 nd Sally Wells	2 nd Megan Woods
Grains	3 rd Joli Van Pelt
1 st Sadie Nolen	Fruits & Vegetables
2 nd Laynee	1 st Landry Young
Unterkircher	
3 rd Ashley Melendez	

SENIORS

Protein
1st Ember Reed
2nd Amanda Vancil

Fruits & Vegetables
1st Jerik Reed
2nd Luke Unterkircher

Dairy
1st Amber Vancil

SPECIAL AWARDS

1ST Year Chef Award
Claire Lostroh

Beef Award
Amanda Vancil

Pork Award
Jerik Reed

Seafood Award
Cutter Runnels

PEEWEE

Cody Long
Ariana Wells
Henri Nolen

County/District Food Challenge Results

Seniors Division/Team

1st Place Co./ Amanda Vancil
4th Place Dist Tate Gore
Grayce Wesley

2nd Place Co./ Amber Vancil
4th Place Dist Jerik Reed
Kathan Valenzuela

Intermediate Division/Team

1st Place Co./ Cutter Runnels
2nd Place Dist Evan Eastwood
Landry Young
Katlynn Weaver
Sadie Nolen

2nd Place Co./ Ashlyn White
4th Place Dist Emilie Reyes
Joey Blackmon
Jarrod Blackmon
Elizabeth Barclay

3rd Place Co./ Jenesse Salas
7th Place Dist Katlyn Goss
Corbyn Goss

Junior Division /Team

1st Place Co./ Kason Eastwood
4th Place Dist Luke Moore
Sam Roberts
Stephen Roberts

2nd Place Co./ Bryson White
1st Place Dist Chesney Sturgess
Keira Mullins
Vinny Blackmon

3rd Place Co./ Cortney Goss
4th Place Dist Sofia Aguilera
Malachi Guzman
Santiago Quevedo-Villa
Riley Bradshaw

Other Participants

Team Jr. Addilyn Reed
1st Place Dist Avery Goss
Rylee Webb
Tripp Runnels
Jaikylie Baker

Team Jr. Kenadi Hurst
6th Place Dist Jenna VanPelt
Laura Mote
Maddi Greer
Jadah Mota

Team Int Allison Fikes
6th Place Dist Kari Johnson
Sarah Wells
Shaleigh Long

 **4-H Float in the
Tulia Christmas Parade**
Town & Country 4-H Club
will have a float in the Tulia Christmas Parade and invite all Swisher County 4-H Members to ride on December 2. Meet at Conner Park on Dip Street at 6:30 p.m. DO NOT BRING CANDY to throw.

November 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Sign up for County and Major Stock Shows 10am-8pm Extension Office Meat Judging Practice 4:30 pm. Happy Baptist Church	3	4
5 Pig Validation Kress Ag Farm 2:00-4:00 p.m. Meat Judging Practice 6:00 pm Ext. Office	6 Kress 4-H Club Meeting 7:00 p.m.	7 Lamb, Goat, Swine Project Meeting 6:00 County Barn	8	9 Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Ext Off Meat Judging Practice 4:30 pm. Happy Baptist Church	10	11 Judy Moore Memorial Showcase District Food Show/ Nutrition Quiz Bowl
12 Pig Validation Happy Ag Farm 2:00-4:00 p.m. Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Co Barn Meat Judging Practice 6:00 pm Ext. Office	13 Happy 4-H Club Meeting 6:00 p.m.	14	15	16 Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Ext Off Meat Judging Practice 4:30 Happy Baptist Church Adult Leader Meeting 6:00 p.m.	17	18
19 Pig Validation Tulia Ag Farm 2:00-4:00 p.m. Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Co Barn Meat Judging Practice 6:00 pm Ext. Office	20 Gold Star Banquet	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Office Closed	24 Thanksgiving Office Closed	25
26 Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Co Barn Meat Judging Practice 6:00 pm Ext. Office	27 Town & Country 4-H Club Meeting 7:30 pm	28	29	30 Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Ext Off Meat Judging Practice 4:30 pm. Happy Baptist Church		

December 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 Tulia Christmas Parade 4-H Dance
3 Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Co Barn Meat Judging Practice 6:00 pm Ext. Office	4	5	6	7 Consumer Decision Making 4:00 Ext Off Meat Judging Practice 4:30 pm. Happy Bapt	8	9 District Contests Consumer Decision Making/Beef Quiz Bowl/Horse Quiz Bowl/Swine Quiz Bowl
10	11 Meats Judging Contest Happy 4-H Club 6:00 p.m.	12	13	14 Kress 4-H Club	15	16
17	18 Town & Country 4-H Club 7:00 p.m.	19	20	21	22	23
24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Extension Office Closed	26 Extension Office Closed	27	28	29	30
31						