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Swisher County 4-H Times

November 2015

Welcome to the 2015-16 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 2015-16 4-H year. Participation fees will remain the same for youth members in 2015-2016, which are: **August 15th to October 31st – $20.00** and **November 1st to end of 4-H year – $25.00**.
Go to 4-H Connect at: https://texas.4honline.com/Login.aspx?4079444C6D387A6E595A2F6F3D 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.

County & Major Stock Show Entry Day

Monday, November 2, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Entries for the Swisher County Livestock Show and all major stock shows are **due** in the Extension Office by November 2nd. We will be open November from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to accept entries. Please plan to turn in your entry fees on or before November 2nd. Remember, entry cards require Social Security number and signatures of both the exhibitor and a parent/guardian. Youth entering major shows or the county commercial show will need their quality counts certification number.

Stock Show Entries

Important Update

In order to properly be in line with stock show rules and integrity regarding exhibitor responsibility, please do not have someone else sign your entry forms. The only individuals who should be signing the entry forms for your child are the parents or legal guardians. We will be watching this closely

Swisher County 4-H Fall Dance

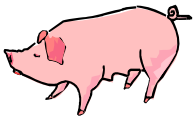
November 7
8:00—11:00 p.m.

Swisher County Show Barns
"Admission will be one pair of winter gloves to be donated to needy children." 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.

Swine Validation Schedules

Nov. 9 Kress 3:30-6:00 Will contact you with time at your place.
Nov 15 Happy 2-4pm Happy Ag Farm
Nov. 22 Tulia 2-4pm Tulia Ag Farm

. If you have 5 or more pigs, please let us know and we will come validate at your house.



Llano Estacado Rabbit

Breeders Association
Triple Open/Triple Youth
All-Breed Show
4-H Show*Specialty Shows
November 13-14,
Bailey County Coliseum
Muleshoe, TX
Early Entry $3.50 (per rabbit, per show) Emailed entries must be sent no later than Monday, Nov. 9, 2015. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015
Call or come by Extension Office for more information.
995-3726

Meat Judging Practices

Judging Clinic November 7 at Texas Tech University please call John by November 3rd to enter.

Practice	**November 3, 5:30**	**Annex**
Practice	**November 12**	**TBA**
Practice	**November 18**	**TBA**

District Meats Judging Contest

Thursday, November 19, 2015
Meats Lab, Texas Tech University
1:00 p.m.
4-H Connect open for registration:
October 29-November 12, 2015—$15
Late registration November 13-15-$30

GOLD STAR BANQUET November 23rd

TTU Frazier Alumni Pavilion

Swisher County Distinguished Leaders and Gold Star recipients will be honored at the District 2 Gold Star Banquet.

Distinguished Leader Recipients are:
Cade and Samantha Lange
Gold Star Recipients are:
Chandler Glenn, Shelbie Martin and Ember Reed

Livestock Project Meeting
Tuesday, Nov. 10
Sheep/Goat: 5:30-6:30
Pigs: 6:45-#'TIL

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 Sunday afternoon in November except the first Sunday. We will meet from 2 to 3 p.m. Summer Davis will be our leader and Khrissen will be the Adult Supervisor. Please bring a small note pad for taking notes to the first meeting November 8 at 2 p.m. in the Annex Room. Questions? Call Summer at 340-5989 or Khrissen 674-7396. District Contest will be Saturday, December, 5, 2015 in Lubbock. $10 Entry Fee.

Pig Buying Time

The first step in buying a pig is deciding your target show. Here are some tips on what age, size to buy.

**Eight week old pigs should weigh about 40 pounds and then gain about ½ pound per day.

**Most pigs will be about 6 months of age at their LAST show, i.e 5 months at County, 6 months at San Antonio

SHOW	APPROX. SHOW DATE	APPROX. BIRTH DATE for 6 months age at show
County Show	Jan. 17	July 20
San Antonio Show	Feb. 15	Aug. 15
Houston Show	Mar.15	Sept. 15

District 2 4-H Fall/Winter Contests & Events

November-2015

7th—**Food Show**
Levelland High School $15

7th—**Nutrition Quiz Bowl**
Levelland High School $10

19th—**Meat Judging**
Meats Lab, Texas Tech University, Lubbock $15

23rd-**Gold Star and Distinguished Leader Banquet,** Frazier Alumni Pavilion, 6th and Red Raider Ave., Lubbock

December-2015

5th- **Consumer Decision Making-$10/Beef Quiz Bowl-$12/Horse Quiz Bowl-$10/Swine Quiz Bowl-$10**
Christ the King School in Lubbock 4011 54th, Lubbock $10

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 2015/2016

Kress 4-H Club Meeting
November 2, 2015 at 7 pm
Program: Darren Tye Family
Refreshments: Aguilera Family
Community Service: Coin Wars
Methodist Fellowship Hall

Happy 4-H Club Meeting
November 9, 2015 at 6 pm
Happy Community Center

Town & Country Club Meeting
November 23, at 7 pm
Annex Meeting Room
Inspiration: Claire Johnson
Snack: Melanie Meeks & Katlynn Weaver
Program: Evan Eastwood-Robotics
Community Service: Christmas Cards for "Meals on Wheels" recipients.

Rabbits

Rabbit Validation will be in December

2015-16 Texas State Preservation Board 4-H and FFA Photography Contest

The Texas State Preservation Board in partnership with the Texas 4-H Youth Development Program are pleased to present an annual photography contest for members of the Texas 4-H and FFA Programs. This photography contest allows 4-H and FFA members to showcase Texas Agriculture through photos.

A select number of the photographs will be displayed in the Texas State Capitol Agriculture Museum starting in early 2016. Selected photographs will feature a place card with the photographer's name, city, and age. Photos will remain on display for one year in the Agriculture Museum.

Entry Period: September 24, 2015 to December 10, 2015

Entry Location: http://tx4-h.tamu.edu/photo

All contests resources are posted online at: texas 4-h.tamu.edu

San Angelo Stock Show 2016

Saturday, February 6
6 a.m. to **1 p.m.** *Goats, Arrival/In Place*
Saturday, February 6
3 p.m. Weight Cards
Sunday, February 7
8 a.m. SHOW
Saturday, February 6
6 a.m. to **1 p.m.** *Lambs, Arrival/In Place*
Saturday, February 6
4 p.m. Weight Cards

Sunday, February 7
8 a.m. FW, FWX, SD, Doper/SHOW

Monday, February 8
8 a.m. SD, MW/SHOW

Monday, February 8
8 a.m.—4 p.m. Steers, *Arrival/In Place*
5 p.m. Weight Cards
Tuesday, February 9
9 a.m. All Breeds SHOW
Friday, February 12, 8 a.m. *Heifers/Barn Opens*
Saturday, February 13
12—1:30 p.m. Angus, Red Angus, Shorthorn, Simmental/Papers Due
5 p.m.—6 p.m. All breeds that show on Sunday/Papers Due
3 p.m.—Angus, Red Angus, Shorthorn, Simmental/ SHOW
8 a.m. **Sunday, February 14,**
Hereford, Maine-Anjou, Limousin, Chianina, Brangus, Beefmaster, Santa Gertrudis, ARB, ORB/Show
Tuesday, February 16, 6 a.m.—4 p.m. Pigs/*Arrival*
5 p.m./Weight Cards
Wednesday, February 17, Hamp, Cross/SHOW
Thursday, February 18, Duroc, WOPB, BOPB, York/SHOW

Star of Texas Schedule 2016

Lambs & Goats

Arrival: Monday, March 14**,** 7 a.m.—**1 p**.m.
Weight: Tuesday, March 14**, 9 a.m.**
SHOWS: Tuesday, March 15, ***Goat***, **9 a.m.** ***Lamb***, 9 a.m.

Pigs

Arrival:
Friday, March 18**,** 6 a.m.—**12 noon**
Weight :
Friday, March 18, **2 p.m.**
SHOWS :
Saturday, March 19, **9 a.m.**
Duroc, OPB-Dark, OPB-White, Hamp
Sunday, March 20, **8 a.m.**
York, Cross

Steers

Arrival:
Monday, March 21**,** 9 a.m.—**2 p.m.**
Weight Cards: Monday, March 21, **4 p.m. Classification :5 p.m.**
SHOWS: Tuesday, March 22**, 9 a.m.** —British, Shorthorn, Brahman, ABC, and AOB, Black
Wednesday, March 23, **9 a.m.** —AOB Other Color

Heifers

Arrival:
Thursday, March 24, 8 a.m.—**1 p.m.**
Weight:
Thursday, March 24, **3 p.m.**
Show:
Friday, March 25, **9 a.m.**

Houston Stock Show 2016

Lamb and Goat Arrival

Wednesday, March 9, 3 a.m. to **11 a.m.** ***Lambs & Goats*** arrive must be in place at Airport Blvd by 11 a.m. *Arrival/ Check in*
KIOSK by 1:30 p.m. 8 a.m.—1:30 p.m. ***weight cards deposited during check in***
Thursday, March 10, 8:00 Opening Ceremony
8:30 a.m. (No list this year. This is what showed last year)) *Fine Wool, Fine Wool Cross, Southdown*
Friday, March 11, 8 a.m. (No list this is what showed last year) *Medium Wool*

Heifers Arrival

Thursday, March 10, 4 a.m.– Noon *Arrival/Check in*
Weight Cards, KIOSK breed cards deposited during check-in.
Thursday, March 10, Noon—5 p.m.
SHOW Friday, March 11, 10 a.m. [East] Polled Hereford, Shorthorn, Santa Gertrudis **[West]** Simbrah, Angus, Chianina
SHOW Saturday, March 12, 8 a.m. [East] Main Anjou, Red Brangus, Hereford, ARB, Simmental, **[West] Charolais, Beefmaster, Red Brahman, Red Angus**
SHOW Sunday, March 13, 8 a.m. [East] ORB and Brangus **[West]** Grey Brahman and Limousin.

Pigs Wave 1 *Arrival*

Saturday, March 12, 4 a.m.-**11 a.m.**
Duroc, Berk, Hamp, Spotted, Poland China, Dark Cross.
8 a.m.—1:30 p.m. **weight cards**, KIOSK by 1:30 p.m. weight cards deposited during check-in.
SHOW Sunday, March 13, A—**8 a.m.** Hamp, Duroc, Poland, China,
Monday, March 14, B– **8 a.m.-**Berk, Spotted, Dark Cross

Pigs Wave 2 *Arrival*

Tuesday, March 15, 4 a.m.—**11 a.m.**
York, Chester White & OPB and Other Crossbred
8 a.m.—**1:30 p.m.** ***Weight Cards,*** KIOSK by 1:30 p.m. Weight cards deposited during check-in
SHOW Wednesday, March 16, 8 a.m. C- York, Chester White & OPB, Light Weight Other Crossbred
Thursday, March 17, 8 a.m. D—Other Crossbred.

Steers Arrival

Monday, March 14, 4 a.m.—**noon (Must be in place at Airport Blvd by Noon)**
Tuesday, March 15, 7 a.m.—Classify, sift and weight card turn-in
SHOW Wednesday, March 16, 8 a.m. - ABC, Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, Brahman, Simbrah, Limousin, Charolais.
SHOW Thursday, March 17, 8 a.m. -AOB, Angus, Red Angus, Hereford, Polled Hereford, Shorthorn.
Friday, March 18, 8 a.m. Chianina, Simmental, Maine Anjou

District Food Challenge
Results
Seniors
Main Dish—2nd
Gentry Wesley, Savannah Wesley, Mallory Ulrich and Brayden White
Bread & Cereal—1st
Jaren Rameriz, Amanda Vancil and Tizzy Walker
Intermediates
Bread & Cereal—1st
Kacie Conaway, Taylor Deal, Seth Gore and Tate Gore
Juniors
Main Dish—2nd
Evan Eastwood, Sadie Nolen, Cutter Runnels, Landry Young and Katlynn Weaver

Also participating
Joey Blackmon
Jarrod Blackmon,
Breelee Dempsy
Elizabeth Barclay
Bryson White
Bailee Baggerman
Emillie Reyes
Amanda Vancil
Ashlyn White
Shaleigh Long
Emma Gray,
Allison Fikes
Sally Wells
Chambre Clawson
Jaedyn Chasco
Jeslyn Chaso
Savannah Jack
Isabella Rodriguez.

Healthy Living

South Plains Fair Results

Textiles, Bread Goods, Photography

Tripp Runnels:
Honorable Mention Painting
3rd Place– Christmas Decoration
3rd Place—Mosaic
Honorable Mention– Painted Item
1st Place—Paper Craft
Honorable Mention—Craft
Honorable Mention—Fruit & Nut Muffins
Honorable Mention—Banana Bread

Cutter Runnels:
2nd Place—Waterscape Color Photo
2nd Place—Recycled Item
Honorable Mention—Nut Bread
Honorable Mention—Garlic Cheese Bread
Honorable Mention—Fruit & Nut Muffins
Honorable Mention—Muffins

Shelbie Martin:
3rd Place—Sky /Black & White Photo
2nd Place-Floral /Black & White Photo
3rd Place-Computer Enhanced /Black & White Photo

Chambre Clawson:
1st Place—Refrigerator Cookies
3rd Place—Quilt

Gentry Wesley:
2nd Place—Architecture /Color Photo

Faith Johnson:
Honorable Mention—Sky /Black & White
2nd Place—People /Black & White Photo
3rd Place—Bird /Black & White Photo
3rd Place—Landscape /Color Photo

Savannah Wesley:
Best of Show and 1st Place—People /Black and White Photo

Avery Goss:
Honorable Mention—Craft

Ashlyn White:
Honorable Mention—Pillow Case

Reyna Wells:
Honorable Mention—Pillow Case

Laynee Unterkircher:
Honorable Mention—Ceramic

Luke Unterkircher:
3rd Place—Ceramic

Evan Eastwood:
Honorable Mention—Nut Bread
Honorable Mention—Fruit & Nut Muffins

Sadie Nolen:
2nd Place—Fruit Bread
Honorable Mention—Fruit & Nut Muffins

Landry Young:
Honorable Mention—Banana Bread
Honorable Mention—Fruit & Nut Muffins

Katlynn Weaver:
3rd Place—Nut Bread
Honorable Mention—Fruit & Nut Muffins

Swisher County
4-H Food Show
Junior Protein
1st Place Bentlee Leatherwood
2nd Place Aleesha Boyett
3rd Place Cutter Runnels
Junior Fruit & Veggies
1st Place Paige Bechtold
2nd Place Crobyn Goss
3rd Place Mikayla Proctor
Junior Grains
1st Place Katlyn Goss
2nd Place Sadie Nolen
3rd Place Sally Wells
Junior Dairy
1st Place Landry Young
2nd Place Shaleigh Long
Intermediate Protein
1st Place James Walker
2nd Place Amber Vancil
Intermediate Fruit & Veggies
1st Place Taylor Deal
Intermediate Grains
1st Place Ashlyn White
Intermediate Dairy
1st Place Brook Goss
Senior Protein
1st Place Amanda Vancil
2nd Place Jerik Reed
Senior Fruit & Veggies
1st Place Reyna Wells
Senior Grains
1st Place Ember Reed
2nd Place Brayden White
Other Junior Participants
Bryson White, Rance Todd, Cole Todd, Joey Blackmon and Jarrod Blackmon.
PeeWee Participants
Vinny Blackmon, Tripp Runnels, Chesney Sturgess, Cortney Goss, Brooklyn Shelburne, Henri Nolen, Avery Goss and Laura Mote.
Special Awards Winners
Beef Award Landry Young
Pork Award Brook Goss
Lamb Award James Walker
Rabbit Award Aleesha Boyett
First Year Chef Award
Taylor Deal

Texas 4-H Robotics Advisory Committee

Robotics @ Major Stock Shows

San Antonio and San Angelo stock shows are each planning to host their first robotics competitions in 2016.

San Angelo, February 11, 2016- TCEA Game Format

Rules: http://www.tcea.org/robotics

Stock Show site: http://www.sanangelorodeo.com/events/2016/robotics

San Antonio….Please keep an eye on their website for dates, rules and other details. Estimated announcement timeframe is early October.

Robotics @ 2016 State 4-H Roundup

Plans are underway to have an invitational robotics contest at Texas 4-H Roundup in 2016. Rules and additional details will be released this fall. Stay tuned.

FREE Online Robotics Course for Beginners

Sign up now for our free online course that will start in October. No prior robotics experience required. A flyer has been attached to share with interested parties. Module lesson titles include:

- Sort and Build
- Driving School
- Stay in Touch
- Eyes of the Robot
- Design Like an Engineer
- Helping Hand
- How Far, How Fast

The course is designed for beginner leaders to go through the course with their students and robot kits. Requirements for taking the course include at least: 1 adult volunteer, Youth 4-H members,1 Lego Mindstorm NXT or EV3 (preferred) kit

To register, go to this URL: https://agrilife.az1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_8wspaSBZN007SAZ Once registered, a detailed step-by-step set of login instructions for the course will be made available (in PDF format) to download.

Memorials

Swisher 4-H Council

In memory of **Kay Young**
Brent and Codee Tye & Family
David and Glenda Gibson
Janie and Todd Thompson
Jack and Ty Todd
Rhonda and Gerry Lawson
Dave and Ethel Edwards

In memory of **Jack Keim**
Janie and Todd Thompson
Dave and Ethel Edwards

In memory of **Mary Tucker**
Dave and Ethel Edwards

Unsponsored Trip Fund

In memory of **Kay Young**
Barbara and David Finch & Family
Phyllis and Kevin Powers

In memory of **Jack Keim**
Phyllis and Kevin Powers

Swisher 4-H Adult Leaders

In memory of **Kay Young**
Angie and Mitch Martin

Gold Star Scholarship Fund

In memory of **Kay Young**
Valerie Bell
Bill and "Suggy" (Watts) Cook
Linda Gruben
Larry and Skip Simons
Felix Mote
Billie Ann Sprague
Sharon and Joe Bob Thomspon
Swisher Electric Cooperative
Mr. and Mrs. Denny Belew
Jim and Willa Jane McManigal
Gay Roper

Need A 4-H Reminder?

Sign up to receive text messages to remind you about 4-H Club Meeting and events.

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

Tulia 4-H
Text @79088 to 806 -730-2385 to receive reminder about Town & Country 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

Kress 4-H
Text @kress 52 806-2385 to receive reminders about Kress 4-H Club Meeting and project activities for Kress 4-H members.

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Ft. Worth Schedule 2015

Lamb

Arrival:
Wednesday, Jan 27, 8 a.m. to
Thursday, Jan, 28, **6 p.m.**
Weight cards: Friday, Jan 29- 12 Noon
SHOWS: Saturday, Jan 30 **8:00 a.m.**
Fine Wool, Fine Wool Cross, Southdown, Hair Sheep
Sunday, January 31 **8:00 a.m.,**
Medium Wool

Goats

Arrival :
Wednesday, January 27 8 a.m. to
Thursday, January, 28**, 6 p.m.**
Weigh : Friday, January 29 **8 a.m.**
SHOWS: Saturday, Jan 30 **10 a.m.**
Light and Medium
Sunday January 31**,10 a.m.** Heavy Weight

Steers

Arrival ;
Tuesday, February 2 7 a.m. to **6 p.m.**
Classifying of Jr. Steers Wednesday, February 3 **8:00 a.m.** ,
Angus, Hereford, Polled Hereford, Shorthorn and American Crossbreds
Weight: for European Crossbreds **Wed.** February 3 **10:00 a.m.**
SHOWS: Thursday, February 4 **8:00 a.m.**
Angus, Hereford, Polled Hereford, Shorthorn, American Crossbred Light Weight European Crossbred
Friday, February 5 **8:00 a.m.**
Medium and Heavy Wt. European Crossbred

Pig

Arrival:
Monday, February 1**,** 3:00 p.m. through
Wednesday, February 3, **9 a.m.**
Weight: Wednesday, February 3 **10 a.m.**
SHOWS: Thursday , February 4 **8 a.m.**
Black OPB, Duroc, Hamp, White OPB
Friday, February 5- **8 a.m.**
York, Crossbreds

SanAntonio Schedule 2016

Junior Wether Dams

Arrival:
Saturday, February 13**,** 8 a.m. to **noon**
Unloading starts at 9 a.m.
Check in : Saturday, February 13, 10 a.m. **to 2 p.m**
SHOW Sunday February 14, **8:00 a.m.**

Lamb

Arrival:
Tuesday, February 16, 1 a.m. to **noon**
Check in: Tuesday, February 16, 8 am to **3:00 pm**
SHOWS: Wednesday, February 17**, 8 a.m.** Southdown, FW, FW Cross
SHOW-Thursday, February 18, **8 a.m.**
Medium Wool

Heifer

Arrival:
Tuesday, February 16, 1 a.m. to **3 p.m.**
unloading begins at 5 a.m on Tuesday
Check in:
Wednesday, February 17, 8 a.m. to **2 p.m**.
SHOWS: 8 a.m. Thursday, February 18
North: Beefmaster, Brahman, ORB, Red Angus
South: ARB, Hereford, Angus, Limosin, Maine Anjou
Friday February 19, 8 a.m.
North: Simbrah, Chianina, Brangus, Charolais
South: Red Brangus, Simmental, Chorthorn, Santa Gertrudis

Goats

Arrival:
Tuesday, Feb 16, 1 a.m. to **noon**
Unloading begin at 6 a.m on Tuesday.
Check in:
Tuesday, Feb 16, 8 am **–3 p.m.**
SHOWS:
Wednesday February 17, **9 a.m.**
Division I, Division II
Thursday, February 18 , **9 a.m.**
Division III, Division IV

Pigs

Pigs Group 1
Arrival:
Saturday, February 20, 12 a.m.—**7 a.m.**
Berkshire, Dark Cross, Duroc, Hampshire, Poland China, Spot
Unloading begins at 1 a.m.
Weight:
Saturday, February 20, 7 a.m.-**2 p.m.**
SHOWS: Sunday, February 21**, 7 a.m.**
Berkshire, Spot, Hamp
Monday, February 22**, 7 a.m.**
Duroc, Poland China, Dark Cross

San Antonio Continued
Pigs Group 2

Arrival:
Tuesday, February 23, 1 a.m. to **noon**
Chester White, Crossbred, Landrance, Yorkshire—Unloading begins 5 a.m.
Weight:
Saturday, February 21**,** 7 a.m. to **3 p.m.**
Chester White, Crossbred, Landrance, Yorkshire
SHOWS: Wednesday, February 24**, 7 a.m.**
Chester White, Yorkshire, Landrace, Crossbred class 85-90
Thursday, February 25, **7 a.m.**
Crossbred class 91-110

Steer

Arrival:
Monday, February 22**,** 6 a.m. to
Tuesday, February 23**, 5 a.m.**
Unloading begins at 10 a.m.
Weight:
Tuesday, February 23, 8 a.m. –**3 p.m.**
SHOWS:
Wednesday, February 24**, 8 a.m.**
Charolais, Chianina, Shorthorn, Red Angus, Angus, Hereford
Thursday, February 25, **8 a.m.** Simmental, Limousin, Simbrah, Santa Gertrudis, Brangus, Brahman, ABC.

Sandhills Odessa, Texas 2015

Heifer

Arrival:
Wednesday, January 6- 12 Noon until
Thursday, January 7, **12 noon**
Check in : Thursday, January 7, 1 p.m.
SHOWS: Friday, January 8, **1 p.m**.

Lamb

Arrival:
Friday, January 8**,** 1 to **5 p.m.**
Weight : Friday, January 8**, 6 p.m.**
SHOW: Saturday, January 9**, 8:00 am**

Goat

Arrival:
Thursday, January 7, 12 noon to **4:30 p.m**
SHOWS Friday, January 8**, 8:00 a.m.**

Steer

Arrival :
Wednesday January 6,12 noon —**Friday,** January 8, **9 am**
Weigh : Friday, January 8, **10 a.m**.
Weigh & Classify Outback Arena
SHOW: Saturday, January 9, **8:00 a.m.**

Quality Counts

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: Brenden Adams, Leron Brunson, Jerik Reed, and Gentry Wesley.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.

Texas 4-H Membership Changes

Effective with the new 4-H Year signup (August 15,2015 to September 30, 2016) Texas 4-H will have new membership eligibility based on SCHOOL GRADE and not age. The new eligibility rules and guidelines are:

Youth may participate in 4-H year from September 1st of grade three through August 31 following completion of grade twelve, with these age restrictions:

- Minimum age-8 (in addition to being in 3rd grade)
- Maximum age-18 (as of August 31, 2015)

4-H Member Categories

- Juniors: Grades 3, 4, and 5
- Intermediates: Grades 6, 7 , and 8
- Seniors: Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12

A 4-H member's category for the entire 4-H year will be determined as of September 1 of the 4-H year. Youth advancing grades mid-year will not be allowed to change membership categories during that 4-H year.

Enrollment starts August 15th!

D-2 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador

Application due in the D-2 Office by
November 2, 2015.
Applications available in Extension Office.

2015/2016 Town and Country 4-H Club Officers

President…….. Summer Davis
1st Vice President……Ember Reed
2nd Vice President……...Anndee Young
3rd Vice President……...Reyna Wells
Secretary…….Cody Berry
Treasurer…….Savannah Wesley
Reporter……..Melanie Meeks
Public Relations…...Tate Gore/Shaleigh Long
Parliamentarians…...Seth Gore/Landry Young
Health & Safety Officers...Chambre Clawson/ Claire Johnson
Sergeants at Arms….Emma Gray/Taylor Deal
Senior Council Delegates…….Cody Berry/ Kaide Wheeler
Junior Council Delegates...Chambre Clawson/ Emma Gray/Sally Wells
Club Managers…Aaron Wesley & Nicki Gore

2015/2016 County 4-H Council Officers

*Co-Chairs: Chandler Glrenn, Anndee Young
*Secretary: Tizzy Walker
*Treasurer: Brayden White
*Reporter: Shelbie Martin
*District Council Delegates: Ember Reed, Melanie Meeks
*District Council Alternate Delegate: Tizzy Walker, Chandler Glenn
*District Delegate at Large: Nathaniel Longoria
*Junior Council Delegates: Bailee Baggerman, Landry Young
*Junior Council Alternate Delegates: Ashlyn White, Zant Tye

2015/2016 Kress 4-H Club Officers

President ……..Shadee Tye
Vice President ……..Tizzy Walker
Treasurer ……..Clay Brunson
Secretary ……..Krese Strange
Sr council Delegates ……
Krese Strange and Nathaniel Longoria
Jr council Delegates ……
Cutter Runnels, James Walker, and Brook Goss
Club Managers…..Angela Bechtold & Camy Brunson

2015-2016 Happy 4-H Club Officers

President——————Chandler Glenn
Vice President——————Shelbie Martin
Secretary——————Mallory Ulrich
Treasurer——————Brayden White
Senior Council Delegates——Mallory Ulrich & Rachel Rahlfs
Junior Council Delegates————Ryan Rahlfs, Joey Blackmon, Landon Flowers
Club Managers…….Mike Martin and Jodi Baggerman

2015/2016 Horse Club Managers

Judson
&
Mary
Walker

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

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TEXAS 4-H CONNECT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Access the 4-H CONNECT on-line system at: https://texas.4honline.com/

2. ***New Members:*** Select [I need to set up a profile].
   Returning Members: Select [I have a profile] or [I forgot my password].
   Contact County Extension Office for resetting assistance.

3. ***New Members:*** Select Adult or Youth from the drop down menu and click [Add Member].
   Returning Members: Click [Edit] to the right of the inactive member's profile.

4. Once all profile information is current and correct under the Personal Information, Additional Information, Health Form, and Participation areas of enrollment continue to the Invoice page.

5. Review your invoice to ensure that the participation fee has been charged and it is correct. If you have been awarded an award certificate or a scholarship to cover your participation fee, enter the award code in the award code box. Once information has been reviewed, click continue to the Payment screen.

6. ***New Members:*** If you are new to 4-H, you can add your credit card payment information to 4-H CONNECT and it will be securely stored. Click the orange [Add New Credit Card] link if paying with credit card or select the county club check option.
   Returning Members: If the credit card on file has been updated you will need to remove it and add the credit card again using the new information.

7. Select the appropriate method of payment by clicking on the correct button, then click [Select Payment Method.]

8. On the "Confirm page" each person will be required to click the [Pay By Computer Terms and Conditions]. Click [Submit Enrollment]

9. Once an enrollment (new member) or re-enrollment (returning member) has been submitted, it is sent to the county office for review and approval. Once approved and paid for, an email confirmation will be sent to the family email address. Payment by 4-H Check can take up to 2 weeks to process. An active membership status **WILL NOT** be granted until participation fees have been received and marked as paid.

4HConnect Instruction pages can be found online at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/connect

NEW MEMBERS

- Set up **only one (1) FAMILY profile household on** 4-H CONNECT.
- Write down and place in a secure location the email address and password for the account. Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance in resetting the account.
- Add individual youth and adult profiles (members) in your family profile. Adult/Youth and family profiles must be entered for an enrollment to be reviewed and accepted.

RETURNING MEMBERS

- **DO NOT** establish another family or member profile on 4-H CONNECT if you already have one in the system.
- Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance with the email or password if forgotten.
- When you access your profile to re-enroll **REVIEW YOUR PROFILE VERY CAREFULLY**. Incorrect information can create problems for you, your family, and the Extension Office when trying to communicate, accessing appropriate fees, acquiring school absences, etc.

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

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let's **grow**

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Welcome

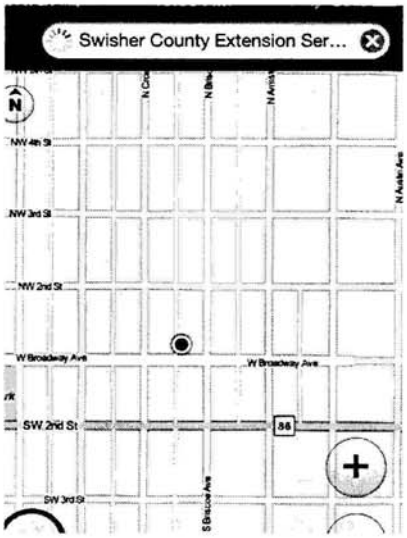
We are glad that you have chosen to be part of the largest non-formal youth education organization in the United States! Over 7 million youth participate in 4-H each year to become self-motivated, productive and contributing citizens.

4-H is designed to be a family affair so 4-H parents are encouraged to get involved in the 4-H experience. Ways that 4-H parents can contribute range from serving as a project leader to providing transportation to activities, or even supplying refreshments for meetings or special events. 4-H parents are also needed to supervise 4-H activities.

Swisher County has an outstanding group of dedicated adult volunteer leaders as well as a superb group of motivated 4-H members. We welcome your family into our Brazos County 4-H family!

Please feel free to contact the Swisher County Extension Office, or visit our website at swisher for more information about the county 4-H Program.

Best wishes for a fulfilling year in 4-H! We look forward to seeing you at events throughout the year.



Join a 4-H Club

Kress 4-H Club			
Club Manager(s):	Angela Bechtold	806-685-4239	angelakayb@hotmail.com
	Camy Brunson	806-685-0625	camy.brunson@gmail.com
Meeting Location & Day:	Kress Methodist Church	110 Ripley Ave, Kress, TX	1st Monday of the Month
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.		
Happy 4-H Club			
Club Manager(s):	Jodi Baggerman	806-223-3919	baggermanfam@amaonline.com
	Mike Martin	806-627-7511	sherriemartin@windstream.net
Meeting Location & Day:	Happy Church of Christ	304 W Main St, Happy, TX	2nd Monday of the Month
Meeting Time:	6:00 p.m.		
Town & Country 4-H Club			
Club Manager(s):	Aaron Wesley	806-995-8819	awesley1996@hotmail.com
	Nicki Gore	806-336-9092	gore_family00yahoo.com
Meeting Location & Day:	Swisher County Annex Meeting Room 310 W. Broadway, Tulia, Tx		4th Monday of the Month
Meeting Time:	7:00 p.m.		

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