

December 2016

4-H Newsletter

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Tom Green County Project Show

The Project Show will take place in the Wells Fargo Pavilion at the San Angelo Fairgrounds. The purpose of the Project Show is to give all Tom Green county youth the opportunity to exhibit their school, 4-H, FFA, or FCCLA projects.

Entry blanks are available from the county Extension office or online and need to be returned to the office in the Judge Edd Keyes building, located at 113 W. Beauregard, 1st Floor, by Friday, January 13th, 2017.

When a division is broken into age groups the age requirements are as of September 1, 2016 and are as follows:

- Beginners - Kindergarten to 2nd grade
- Juniors - 3rd, 4th & 5th grades
- Intermediates - 6th, 7th, & 8th grades
- Seniors - Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

Entries must be the work of only one exhibitor, must have been made in current year and each exhibitor is asked to only enter one (1) article per class. List of current categories are available at the Extension office or online at the TGC Extension website. Current year is from January 16th, 2016 thru January 20th, 2017.

- ◆ **Entry Arrival:** Thursday, January 19th from 5:00 - 7:00 PM
Friday, January 20th from 9 AM to 12 noon.
- ◆ **Judging:** Friday, January 20th @ 2pm
- ◆ **Viewing:** after judging until 5:00 PM and Saturday at 8:00 AM.
- ◆ **Pick up:** by Saturday evening at 7:00 PM.

*Glass containers should not be used for ANYTHING, except for food preservation entries and the jars must be properly sealed. No glass serving dishes or platters will be allowed.

For more information, general rules and entry forms, and categories, check the Tom Green Extension website at: <http://tomgreen.agrilife.org> Or call or come by the county Extension office.

Concession Stand

Below is the Work Schedule for each club. Details will be finalized at the upcoming meeting on Dec 9th - for County Council & Adult Leaders meeting:

Friday - January 20th

- 8:00 - 2:00 PM Lone Star Club
- 2:00 - 6:00 PM Angelo Bluebonnet Club
- 6:00 - 8:00 PM Twin Mountain Club

Saturday - January 21st

- 7:00 - 9:00 AM Shooting Sports Club
- 9:00 - 11:00 AM Archery & Rifle Clubs
- 11:00 - 2:00 PM Horse & Christoval Clubs



Food Donations - all food for the concession stand needs to be at the stand by 6 PM on **Thursday, January 19th**. Please try to get your assigned food to the concession stand on time. If you are not sure what to bring, contact your club manager.

TGC Jr. Livestock Show

It is time once again to think about all of the details that go with the Tom Green County Show and Fair which will be January 20th & 21st.

Exhibitors: **VERY IMPORTANT COUNTY SHOW - SALE INFORMATION.** We are fortunate in Tom Green County, that all youth that exhibit a market animal at the county show are eligible to go through the sale. We feel that it is important to remind everyone that **ALL YOUTH** are **REQUIRED** to go through the sale in order to receive their premium check. Only youth that have an appropriate reason of substitution (outlined in the rule book) that has been **approved by the Fair President** (Frank Hermesmeier) prior to the sale will be allowed a substitute during the sale.

Any youth that are not in the designated area at time of sale and do not have an approved excuse by the Fair President, will *forfeit* sale money. **THIS RULE WILL BE ENFORCED, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

New up-to-date Fair book and catalog are available in the office. Please pay close attention to the schedule of events and deadlines for check-ins and turn-in times for weight cards for each species. If you are interested in specific school shows - Veribest - San Angelo ISD or Wall, please contact the supervising Ag teacher for info. Veribest - Contact: Travis Lange; Wall- Contact: Will Hartnett; San Angelo ISD - Contact: Parks Tucker at Lakeview Ag Dept. Or Ashley Kellermeier at Central Ag Dept.

The Premium Auction Sale will start at **7 pm** on **January 21st** in the Livestock Sale Arena. We need all youth to check in at the sale ring by **6:45 pm** so we can line everyone up.

Ambassadors - Each club is asked have at least 2 representatives to help with the cake auction and serving meals to the buyers. Please send a list of your Ambassadors to Jaye Chasteen or Courtney Redman at the Extension office so that name tags can be made for those assisting.

Cake Auction - Each club is responsible for two (2) quality cakes each. Should be delivered to the Pavilion- Saturday Jan 21st by 4 PM.

BBQ meal tickets can be purchased at the door. Cake Auction will take place during the BBQ meal in the Pavilion beginning at 5:00 PM.

County Council & Adult Leaders Mtg.

The Tom Green County 4-H County Council & Adult Leaders Association will meet for a special meeting and community service project on **Friday, December 9th at 5:30 pm.** The Council and members will gather at the County Extension Office to prepare spiced tea bags for Meals for the Elderly. Members will then join together to tour the Christmas lights downtown along the river in a hayride. Remember to dress appropriately. If you have questions, please call the office.

4-H Food Challenge

County Contest will be held at the TGC 4-H Bldg:

Seniors: 12/1/16 @ 6:30 pm

Intermediates: 12/8/16 @ 6:30 pm

Juniors: 12/15/16 @ 5:30 pm



Tom Green County will send teams for competition at the District contest to be held on **Wednesday, January 25th** in conjunction of beginning events with the San Angelo Stock Show.

Best of Luck to all participants and we look forward to more teams next year.

District 7 4-H Food Show Results



Area 4-Hers exhibited their cooking skills during Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Annual District 7 4-H Food Show at the Taylor County Expo Center, November 21st. The event attracted a large number of entries from across the 23-county district. Winners were named in senior, intermediate and junior categories. The young gourmets were judged on their knowledge of nutrition, food preparation, principle and the quality of their food entries. The District 7 Food Show is a culmination of the Foods and Nutrition Project taught annually in each of the district's counties.

Tom Green County was well represented by all our county entries. First place Senior-level winners will represent the district at the State 4-H Food Show during Texas 4-H Roundup, June 5-9, 2017 which will be held in College Station. Ribbons were awarded for the placings of 1st through 6th in each category and age division.

Winners for Tom Green County included:

Juniors: Protein -Shelby Black, 2nd place; Fruits & Vegetables-Paige Hohensee, 1st place; Grains - Katelynn Holtman, 3rd place. Additional participant - Kate Hohensee

Intermediates: Protein - Connor Pence, 1st; Fruits & Vegetables - Lauren Reyes, 1st; Grains - Caroline Holtman, 1st; Dairy - Julie Black, 5th.

Seniors: Protein - Mark Holtman, 3rd; Fruits & Vegetables -Nathan Waldron, 1st; Grains - Allie Treadwell, 1st

Congratulations to everyone on a job well done.



Junior Division

Intermediate Division

Senior Division

RABBIT VALIDATION:

Rabbit Exhibitors need to mark your calendar of the following validation dates:

ALL Commercial, breeding, and market rabbits:

Tuesday, January 3rd @ 5:00 PM - 7:00 pm at the Tom Green 4-H Building

- * Tattooing: \$5 per rabbit.
- * Tom Green County Show Entry: \$5 per rabbit/ \$7 per pen of 3
- * San Angelo Stock Show Entry: \$3 per rabbit & \$10 per pen of 3

All forms will be available at validation.

District 7 Livestock Clinic & Project Show

Saturday, December 3rd, 2016
San Angelo Stock Show Fairgrounds
West 43rd & Grape Creek Rd, San Angelo, TX



Schedule

7:00 a.m.	_____	Barns open & Arrival
9:45 a.m.	_____	Entries due for show
10:00 a.m.	_____	Livestock Clinics begin
12:30 p.m.	_____	Jackpot Showmanship Show (\$5 entry fee)
		Jackpot Show: Sheep, Goats, Cattle (Steers & Heifers) (\$10 per head, no limit)

The clinics are open to all 4-H & FFA age youth, parents, & adult leaders.
You must participate in the clinics to show.
Event hosted by District 7 Project Development Committees : Cattle, Sheep & Goats

2017 Texas 4-H Scholarship Applications



The Texas 4-H and Youth “Development program and the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation is once again pleased to offer to our senior high school 4-H members and current college students the opportunity to apply for an Opportunity Scholarship through the Texas 4-H Program. **Deadline for applications to the County Extension office is January 20th, 2017.**

Once again, the application and the instructions are separate documents for easier completion and direction.

Workshop with Mr. Garry Branham: **Tuesday, December 13th** at 6:30 pm at the TGC 4-H Building to assist all interested persons in completing and applying for these scholarships. All current graduating seniors are eligible for the scholarships but any interested persons can attend the workshop to get an outlay for future references. Please refer to the Texas 4-H and Youth Development website at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu> for more information and updates. If you have qualified students, please feel free to access this site for an application, or call the Extension office if you have questions and speak with Jaye Chasteen-659-6522.



District 7 4-H
Scholarship
Training
6:30-8:30 pm



December 5 – Brown County Extension Office
December 13 – Tom Green County 4-H Building
December 15 – Llano County Extension Office

For guidelines and application:
<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/scholarships/>

Due dates and deadlines for 2016 Scholarship process are as follows:

October, 2017	Release of 2016 Application
October	Applicant complete FAFSA and receive report
January 20, 2017	Application due to County Office
February 3, 2017	Applications due to District Office
February 17, 2017	Applications due to State 4-H Office
April 14, 2017	Interview selection notification
May 5-7, 2017	Interviews (College Station)
June 6, 7, 8, 2017	Awards Assemblies/Banquets (College Station)

2017 Texas 4-H Photography Contest

Theme: For 2017 the theme is “Reflections”. These are photos shot off any natural or artificial reflective surface. A well-excited shot will be able to show perfect symmetry or a slightly distorted shot. Examples of photographs in the theme would be, but not limited to, photos from lakes, a window pane, a mirror, or a polished/wax car. 4-H members are encouraged to be creative when thinking about reflections in everyday life and where they are seen.

Changes to rules for 2017. Photos must be 8X10 in size with a quality resolution. Over the past two years the majority of disqualification in the contest have occurred when the photography is too small to be viewed by the judge when downloaded from 4-H CONNECT.

Additionally, please remember that all photos must be the original work of the 4-H member submitting the photograph. No photograph can be submitted which has been taken by other 4-H members, a family member, or any printed/digital source. All photos will be scanned through a reverse image search.

Rules can be found online <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/>
Photos will be Due to County Office for local contest by **March 17, 2017**



2017 TEXAS 4-H DAY AT THE CAPITOL

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

4-H CONNECT Registration will
open at 12 noon on
JANUARY 9, 2017
and close
JANUARY 27, 2017

Cost per participant:
\$30.00
(includes lunch and t-shirt)

EVENT DETAILS

Date:
Wednesday, February 8, 2017

Estimated Start Time: 8:30 am
Estimated Finish Time: 4:00 pm

Event limited to the first
250 youth/50 adult
(registration is non-refundable
or transferable)

Check your email for
complete details and
instructions.

Club News:

Christoval 4-H Club

Christoval 4-H Club has been busy this fall. We put together “Thank a First Responder” bags for our local Volunteer Fire Departments and EMTs in both Christoval and Dove Creek. We voted on a design for our club shirts, which will be ready in December. Beth McCann was the winning designer. We also will be hosting our Christmas Party at the Concho Christmas Tree Farm on Monday, December 5. As a community service project, we will be putting together stockings to donate to families in need as part of the Christoval Elementary PTO’s Secret Santa program. We’re excited to continue this annual tradition. We hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season and a happy New Year!

Tom Green Horse Club

The TGC 4-H Horse Club had a fun month in November by hosting 2 of the 4 shows in our Red Barn Buckle Series. Thank you to all who came and rode, helped, or encouraged our participants! We have another show in December with the finale in January. Stay tuned to our Facebook page for more info. We are also looking for sponsors for prizes and buckles. Please contact Lori Brock or Lori Wilson if you are interested in helping.

Several of our members also participated in the Old Ballinger Christmas Parade. Thanks to those who attended for representing our club!

During our monthly meeting we had great presentations by members regarding feeding your horse during the winter months, safely dismounting during goat tying, and also how to tie goats once on the ground. Our "goats" were a lively bunch!

We will be out at Christmas at Old Fort Concho doing horse rides by the hospital. This has become a club tradition. Please come see us there!

Finally, we will have our club Christmas party on December 16, starting at 6:00 We will meet at the farmer's market, tour the lights, and exchange a horse related gift under \$15 while we finish the night with dinner. Come join the fun!

Horse Club - RED BARN BUCKLE dates:

December 10 - Horse Club Performance and Speed Series, Donation item is new toy

January 14 - Horse Club Performance and Speed Series Finals

Merry Christmas

Happy New Year



Josh, Allison, Courtney, Jaye,
Janice, Stella and Brenda



For more information:

<http://tomgreen.agrilife.org>

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Upcoming Events:

- Nov 30 - D7 Livestock Judging Contest - Spur Arena, SA Fairgrounds
- Dec 3 - D7 Livestock Showmanship Clinic, San Angelo Fairgrounds, 7AM
- Dec 3 - District 7 Swine Showmanship Clinic, Lampasas
- Dec 6 - Tom Green Co Jr. Livestock Show Assoc, Board Mtg,
- Dec 10 - Red Barn Buckle Series Horse Show
- Dec 13 - Extension Office - Holiday Open House & "Thank You" Event
- Dec 13 - Scholarship Workshop, 4H Bldg, 6:30 PM
- Dec 16 - Last day of school for Christmas Holidays
- Dec 23-Dec 26 - Christmas Holidays, County Offices closed.
- Jan 2, 2017 - New Year's Day - Offices Closed. BE SAFE!
- Jan 3 - TGCJLA Bd Mtg - 4H Bldg, 6:30 pm
- Jan 3 - Rabbit Validation & tattooing, 4-H Bldg, 5-7 pm
- Jan 4- 14 - Sandhills Stock Show - Odessa
- Jan 13 - Deadline for entry forms for TGC Project Fair (FORMS ONLY)
- Jan 13- Feb 4 - Ft. Worth Stock Show & Rodeo
- Jan 14 - Veribest ISD - School Livestock Show, 4H Bldg.
- Jan 14 - Red Barn Buckle Series, Horse Show
- Jan. 16 - MLK Day - County Offices Closed
- Jan 19 - SAISD - School Livestock Show, 4H Bldg., 6 pm
- Jan 19-20 - Wall ISD School Livestock Show, Fairgrounds
- Jan 20-21 - Tom Green County Jr. Livestock Show & Project Fair & Sale
- Jan 25 - District 7 4-H Food Challenge Contest, SA Fairgrounds
- Feb 3 - Feb 19 - San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo
- Feb 17- District 7 Consumer Decision Making Contest,, SA Fairgrounds
- Feb 9- Feb 26 - San Antonio Livestock Expo
- Feb 20 - President's Day, Offices Closed
- March 7-26 - Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo
- March 11 - 25 - Rodeo Austin (Star of Texas)
- March 13-17 - Spring Break for Area Schools



Office Closures:

- Friday, December 23rd-County Holiday
- Monday, December 26th-County Holiday
- Monday, January 2nd, 2017—County Holiday