

January 2017

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4-H Newsletter

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.

Deadline for entry from – January 13, 2016.

Age Divisions are as follows:

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



Exhibitor can only enter one (1) article per class.

Entries must be the work of only 1 exhibitor, must have been made in current year

- *Current year is from January 17th, 2016 thru January 20th, 2017.*

Project deliveries - Thursday, January 14th from 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Friday, January 15th from 9 AM to 12 noon.

Judging will begin at 2:00 PM on Friday, January 15th.

The building will be open for viewing after judging until 5:00 PM and Saturday at 8:00 AM. All exhibits picked 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, call or come by the county Extension office.



Jr. Livestock Show

It is time once again to promote the Tom Green County Show and Fair which will be held on January 20th & 21st at the San Angelo Fairgrounds. **ALL YOUTH** livestock exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to go through the sale in order to receive their premium check. Check-in will be set up next to the Sale area at 6:30 PM.

***We also ask for your support in helping us to promote the Show and premium sale by asking businesses which you support to donate to the Jr Livestock Association.** Pledge sheets can be picked up at the Extension office, or we can FAX a form to them. We will also bill any pledge.

A Schedule of shows can be found elsewhere in the newsletter. The complete rules, guidelines and schedules for all shows can be found online at the Tom Green extension website at: <http://tomgreen-co.tamu.edu> in the Publications tab, under Tom Green Jr. Livestock Show. Schedules, rules & guidelines can also be found on Events page.

Work Schedule for each club is as follows:

*** Concession Stand**

Friday - January 20th

- 8:00 - 1:00 PM Lone Star Club
- 1:00 - 5:00 PM Angelo Bluebonnet Club
- 5:00 - 7:00 PM Twin Mountain Club

Saturday - January 21st

- 6:30 - 9:00 AM Shooting Sports Club
- 9:00 - 11:00 AM Archery & Rifle Clubs
- 11:00 - 2:00 PM Horse Club & Christoval Club

***Food Donations** - all food at the stand by 7 AM on Friday, January 20th. Breakfast tacos available on Saturday AM.

***Ambassadors** - Club managers-Each club must have at least 2 representatives to help with the cake auction and serving meals to the buyers. Please send a list of Ambassadors to the Extension office.

***Cake Auction** - Club provide for at least two (2) cakes each for Cake Auction; delivered to the Pavilion by Saturday-21st by 4 PM.

***BBO meal** tickets can be purchased at the door. Cost \$5 per plate; Cake Auction during Meal - 5:00 PM.

***Premium Auction - 7:00 pm** in the Livestock Sale Arena. Check in for exhibitors at the sale ring - **6:30 pm**.

Texas 4-H Day at the Capitol

The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program will once again host 4-H Day at the Capitol on **Wednesday, February 8, 2017**. This event is designed as a citizenship experience for 4-H members of all ages to learn more about the state legislative process, as well as meet their state representative and senator through an office visit.

Because this event is held during the legislative session and other organizations/groups are at the capitol on the same day, the number of participants (youth and adults) must be limited. The event will open for registrations on **January 9, 2017** at 12 noon and will remain open until January 27, 2017 or until the event is filled. **(In 2015, the event did fill up within the first 24 hours of being open)**. 4-H Day at the Capitol is open to the first 250 youth and 50 adults registering for the event.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: 4-H CONNECT Registration--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: **Wednesday, February 8, 2017** (Estimated Start Time: 8:30 am and Estimated Finish Time: 4:00 pm) Event limited to the first **250 youth/50 adult** (registration is non-refundable or transferable!)



2017 4-H Photography Contest

The Texas 4-H Photography Contest encourages self-expression and allows youth to demonstrate skills learned in the area of photography, including the use of photographic equipment and process of photographs. Any new changes, guidelines, complete descriptions, examples and scoresheet with detail info for each category can be found on the Texas 4-H website at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu> under the State Photography Contest link.

County entries will be accepted as 8 x 10 OR snapshot size with the understanding that any entries advancing on to the District 7 contest will need to be enlarged to 8 x10 and mounted on foam board. All Senior entry winners will be e-mailed as submission to the State Contest. No framed or art mounted entries will be accepted. Deadline for all entries for **county contest will be March 17th, 2017**.

Categories include:

Animals – Domestic

Animals – Wildlife

Catch- All

Details & Macro

Digital Darkroom

Dominant color

Elements of Design

Food

Marine/Aquatic

Nature & Landscape

Night Photography

People

Plant/Flora

Storyboard:

Theme: For 2016-2017 — “Reflections”



If you have any further questions, or need additional information, please feel to contact the Extension office.

San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Creative Arts

Anyone (Adults & Youth) wishing to enter projects into the Creative Arts contest for the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo must have their all their entry fees and forms filled out and returned to the San Angelo Stock Show office. **Deadline for entry forms is Saturday, January 14th, 2017 by 2:00 PM.** All entries require an entry fee; General divisions are \$1.00 per entry and Special Food Contest is \$2.00 per entry. For more information and categories available - call the SA Stock Show office at 653-7785. All entry forms, catalog and other info can be found on their website at: <http://www.sanangelorodeo.com>

Judging Teams Forming

All judging teams for spring competitions will be getting underway soon. Anyone interested in participating with judging teams including: wool/mohair, meats, range, soil, wildlife, and Swine skill-a-thon should contact the Extension office ASAP (if not already called) and place your name on the contact list so that we can let you know about upcoming events, practices and other information. Contact Jaye at the Extension office for more details, questions and information.

Educational Presentations/Illustrated Talks

This is a great way to talk about and present something about a project you are already doing or a project you have completed at school. This will enhance your public speaking skills as well as broaden your knowledge about your subject.

Some example topics include: How to Make a Banana Smoothie: Why Do Cows Rechew their Food? How to Hang a Ceiling Fan; What makes a Light Bulb Work? What is GPS and How does it Effect Farming? How Can You Coordinate your Wardrobe? Etc. Come up with your own idea and we can work out the details. There is also a chance to exhibit your talents and skills in the performing arts or even get a group together to do a skit/drama all under the Share the Fun Contest. More details can be found at the Texas 4-H Website under the Texas Roundup Guide.

County Roundup will be set for mid-to-early April. For those who plan to enter with an educational presentation or Share the Fun contest, please call the Extension office to let us know that you plan to participate. If you have any suggestions or questions, please contact the office.

2017 Texas 4-H Scholarship Applications

The Texas 4-H and Youth "Development program and the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation is 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. The application form is being offered in Microsoft Word.

All active 4-H members who are a graduating senior in high school have been contacted regarding the application and instructions. Please refer to the Texas 4-H and Youth Development website at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu> for more information and updates. If we have failed to notify 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.

TEEA Scholarships

The Texas Extension Education Association is once again offering one \$1,000 scholarship in each Extension district (total of 12) for a deserving Texas 4-H members. The eligible requirements for those applying are:

- Be a United States citizen.
- Complete or in third year of 4-H and be in good standing with county 4-H Program.
- Demonstrate leadership and personal development through 4-H.
- Will attend an accredited college/university in fall or spring following judging.
- May attend college of their choice.
- Not passed 19th birthday before January 1 of current year (2017).
- Not previously received a TEEA scholarship.

Complete a 4-H Record Book. Application submission process includes:

- ◇ Copy of 4-H Awards Program Record Book.
- ◇ Copy of an official high school transcript.
- ◇ Complete TEEA District 4-H Scholarship Application

Submit application materials (1, 2, and 3 above) to county Extension office by February 1st or contact Courtney Redman at the County Extension office. State winners are announced at Spring TEEA Board meeting and also recognized at Texas 4-H Roundup. Winners are required to send TEEA Treasurer required information needed to issue payment to college/university. Additional information and application for this scholarship and for all Texas 4-H Scholarships are posted on line at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/scholarship.html>



Texas Brigades Summer Registration Begins

Registration for the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's Texas Brigades camps this summer has begun. The Texas Brigades' mission is to educate and empower youths with leadership skills and knowledge in wildlife, fisheries, and land stewardship to become conservation ambassadors for a sustained natural resource legacy.

The Texas Brigades is a wildlife-focused leadership development program for high school youth (ages 13-17). There are five different camps: Bobwhite Brigade, Buckskin Brigade, Bass Brigade, Waterfowl Brigade, and Ranch Brigade. The state's leading wildlife and fisheries biologists and land managers serve as instructors and mentors. Each camp is 4 ½ days long.

The camps are held on private ranches and at environmental camps in different areas of the state. Applications for 2017 are available online at: www.texasbrigades.org and must be turned in **no later than March 15, 2017**.

Below are the 2017 camp dates and locations:

- Rolling Plains Bobwhite -Centennial Lodge, Coleman, June 10-14, 2017
- South Texas Buckskin -Welder Wildlife Refuge, Sinton, June 11-15, 2017
- South Texas Bobwhite -Buck Horn Creek Ranch, McCoy, June 23-27, 2017
- Bass Brigade -Warren Ranch, Santa Anna, July 5-9, 2017
- Waterfowl Brigade -BigWoods on the Trinity, Tennessee Colony, July 16-20, 2017
- Ranch Brigade -Warren Ranch, Santa Anna, July 17-21, 2017
- North Texas Buckskin -Warren Ranch, Santa Anna, July 17-21, 2017
- Coastal Brigade, Sea Scout Base, Galveston, July 25-29, 2017



The camps are a partnership effort of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, several universities, conservation groups, local soil and water conservation districts, private businesses and individuals with an interest in wildlife and youth leadership development. Tuition is \$500 per cadet per camp, but sponsors are available to provide financial aid when needed.

Applications may be completed online or downloaded at <http://www.texasbrigades.org>. For more information, contact Mr. Holdsworth at hholdsworth@texas-wildlife.org or Kassi Scheffer at kscheffer@texas-wildlife.org or 800-TEX-WILD (210-826-2904)

NOTICE TO SHEEP/GOAT EXHIBITORS:

Shearing in preparation for the Tom Green Co. Jr. Livestock Show will be available to all exhibitors on **Monday, January 16th and Tuesday, January 17th, 2017**. A Professional shearer will be available from 9 AM to 7 PM at the Tom Green 4-H Center- Arena side on both days for a cost of \$10 per head. Scheduled appointments are highly suggested. Payment can be made directly to the shearer on the day of the shear. For questions or more info, contact Josh Blanek. To schedule an appointment, contact the County Extension Office. 659-6522

RABBIT VALIDATION:



All Rabbit Exhibitors need to mark your calendar for the following validation dates: ALL Commercial, breeding, and market rabbits:

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

- * 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.

2017 Tom Green County Fair & Junior Livestock Show SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19TH, 2017

- 5:00-7:00 PM.....Project Show entries received-Wells Fargo Pavilion
- 3:00 - 7:00 PM.....Check-in & Weigh Hogs

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 2017

- 9:00 - Noon.....Project Show entries received
- 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.....Judging of Project Show
- 1:00 p.m.....Weight cards due on Goats
- 6:00 p.m.....Weight Cards due on Lambs
- 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.....County - Weigh & Check-in Hogs
- 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.Weigh Steers & Check in Heifers

SHOW TIMES — FRIDAY, JANUARY 20th, 2017

- 3:00 p.m.....Jr. Market Meat Goats

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21ST, 2017

- 7:30 a.m.....Arrival Time for Rabbits
- 9:00 a.m.....Arrival Time for Broilers

SHOW TIMES — SATURDAY, JANUARY 21st, 2017

- 8:00 a.m.....Swine and Lamb Show
- 8:30 a.m.....Rabbit Show
- 10:00 a.m.....Broiler Show
- 11:00 a.m.....Heifer / Steer Show
- 4:30 - 7:00 p.m.....Barbecue Supper Served
- 5:00 p.m.....Cake Auction
- 7:00 p.m.....Premium Auction

SATURDAY, April 29TH, 2017

- 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.....Arrival of Horses
- 10:00 a.m.....Horse Show

Club News:

TGC 4-H County Concessions-Jr Livestock Show: Menu at Concession Stand will include: chopped BBQ pork sandwiches, soda drinks, donuts, breakfast tacos on Saturday morning only, candy, water & coffee. Look for work schedule on first page.



Angelo Bluebonnet 4-H Club: The Angelo Bluebonnet had its December meeting on the 14th at the Stephens Central Library. The business meeting was held. Then the club broke into groups and made Christmas cards for the State Supported Living Center which were attached to hats as Christmas gifts for the clients. Members also brought cookies for Sarah's House and William's House. Then the party began with pizza and a fun time of board games. Our next meeting will be **Monday, January 9, 2017**, at the 4-H Center at 4:15.

TGC 4-H Horse Club: The Horse Club ended 2016 with a bang and a lot of activities. We started off with our horse ride fundraiser at Christmas at Old Fort Concho. Despite the poor weather, we had a great turnout and helped some young horse lovers make new memories. Our club also hosted the 3rd show in our Red Barn Performance and Speed Series. The riders continue to improve and fun was had by all involved. The 4th and final show will be **Saturday, January 14, 2017**, at the Red Barn. Come out and ride with us or come watch and support the competitors! This show is for ALL ages and there is an event for all types of riders. Check out our Facebook page for more info or contact Lori Brock or Lori Wilson.

Finally, we wrapped up 2016 with our club Christmas party. We had a hay ride through the Tour of Lights and then met at Los Panchitos for dinner and a gift exchange. It was a great night with a big turnout! Our club continues to grow and we look forward to adding more members. If you love horses and want to be involved, please contact one of our sponsors for more info. Happy New Year! Thanks, Lori Wilson —234.5640

Christoval 4-H Club: Christoval 4H has had a busy winter schedule. We kicked off the winter season by having our Christmas Party at the Concho Christmas Tree Farm. We enjoyed the old fashioned hayride, Christmas carols, and ooey gooey s'mores. To spread the holiday spirit, we put together stockings to donate to Christoval PTO's Secret Santa project for families in our communities. We're looking forward to a busy 2017. Our next meeting will be on **Monday, January 9**, at Cooper's BBQ in Christoval.



Lone Star 4-H Club: The Lonestar Club held its December monthly meeting at the Roller Rink USA. Members participated in skating and a candy bar exchange. Reports were given over the recent competitions that members participated in. A report was also given on our recent blood drive at Wall High School. Our goal was 16 and we ended up with 19 successful procedures. As each donation helps 3 different people, we touched 57 lives with the drive. After skating we went Christmas caroling at Rio Concho Terrace. Our next meeting will be held on **Sunday, January 8th** at Wall Volunteer Fire Department at 2:00 PM. Cameryn Jones, Reporter



TGC 4-H Archery Club: The Archery Club will continue to meet for indoor practice at the Outdoorsman. Our first practice for the new year will be **Thursday, January 5th**, from 5PM to 7PM. Email tgc4harchery@yahoo.com for more information. Congratulations to the following Archers, you girls did a great job!!

← Left: 4-H Bosque Bullseyes Annual Indoor Archery Tournament
- Cie Rangel, 1st Place, Seniors Compound-Aided.



Cooke County 4-H Indoor Archery Shoot (LtoR) - Josilyn Teague, 6th Place Medal (Jrs Compound-Aided), Karah Teague, 2nd Place (Jrs Compound-Aided), & Cie Rangel, 2nd Place (Srs Compound-Aided).



For more information:

<http://tomgreen.agrilife.org>

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Upcoming Events:

- Jan 2 - Holiday - New Year's - Offices Closed
- Jan 3—Rabbit Validation, 4H Bldg 5pm
- Jan 3—TGCJLA Board Mtg, TGC 4H Bldg. 6:30 pm
- Jan 4-14 - Sandhills Stock Show-Odessa
- Jan 5 - Food Challenge Practice-4H Bldg, 6p
- Jan 9 - AB Club meeting, 4H Bldg, 4 pm
- Jan 13 - Deadline for Entry Forms for TGC Project Fair
- Jan 13—Deadline for Food Challenge entries of Teams for contest.
- Jan 14 - Veribest ISD School Show, 4-H Bldg.
- Jan 14 - Deadline for Creative Arts Entries, San Angelo Stock Show
- Jan 15—Deadline for Food Challenge entries -Online only
- Jan. 16 - MLK Day - County Offices Closed
- Jan. 16-17—Prep-shearing—Goats & Lambs, 4-H Bldg.
- Jan 19 - SAISD School Show - 4H Bldg., 6pm
- Jan 19-20 - Wall ISD Stock Show, SA Fairgrounds
- Jan 20-21 - Tom Green County Jr. Livestock Show & Project Fair
- Jan 13 - Feb 4 - Southwestern Expo & Stock Show - Ft. Worth
- Jan 20 - 4-H Foundation Scholarship Applications, Due to County Office
- Jan 25 - Food Challenge Contest w/San Angelo Stock Show, Wells Fargo Pav.
- Feb 3 - Foundation Scholarships Due to District Office
- Feb 3 - 19 - San Angelo Stock Show - San Angelo Fairgrounds
- Feb 9-26 - San Antonio Livestock Expo, San Antonio
- Feb 14 - Valentine's Day
- Feb 17 - District 7 Consumer Decision Making Contest, SA Fairgrounds
- Feb 20 - President's Day, County Holiday, Offices Closed
- Feb 28 - District 7 Horse Judging Contest, Coleman
- March 7 - 26 - Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo
- March 11-25 - Rodeo Austin Livestock Show, Austin
- March 12 - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 13 -17 - Spring Break for all area schools
- March 17 - Deadline for TGC 4-H Photography contest
- March 27 - District 7 Leaders 4 Life Contest, Grape Creek
- April 1 - Concho Valley MG Plant Sale - 4H Bldg
- April 4 - Duds-to-Dazzle Contest, Coleman
- April 9 - Palm Sunday
- April 14 - Good Friday, County Holiday, Offices Closed
- April 16 - Easter Sunday
- April 19 - D7 Meats Judging, D7 Wool Judging-San Angelo
- April 29 - D7 Range Evaluation, Eldorado
- April 29 - D7 Rilfe Contest, Baird