

Hemphill County 4-H

Hemphill County 4-H Enrollment Night and Watermelon Feed

On Tuesday evening, August 19th the Hemphill County 4-H Adult leaders Association sponsored an all you can eat watermelon feed at the pavilion. Approximately 300 4-H age students and their parents attended the event.

If you missed the party, please call the Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Office, Hemphill County (806-323-9114) for details on how to enroll or just bring your packet by the office.

Members signed up for the following projects that will be offered throughout the coming school year:

Shooting Sports, Food Challenge, Food Show, Livestock Projects, Fashion Projects, Robotics and Dog Care and Training.



Hemphill County Adult Leader's Association

The Hemphill County Adult leaders meeting will be on Tuesday, September 9th at 6:00p.m. at the Exhibition Center. It will be immediately followed by the 4-H club meeting at 7:00pm.

Officers:

- President- Milton Cooke
- Vice-President- Tamara Walser
- Treasurer- Clydene Prideman
- Secretary- Amy Brainard

1st 4-H Club Meeting of the year

Officers:

President- Marcee Cooke
 Vice-President- Tess Sawyer
 2nd Vice-President- Harrison Culwell
 3rd Vice-President- Edy Brainard
 Secretary- Chloe Walser
 Treasurer- Brynn McPherson
 Reporter- Kille Walser
 Safety/Health Officer- Cody Cooke

WE will have our first 4-H club meeting of the year on Tuesday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m. Corie and Bryan Ash are the meal hosts for the evening. Pizza and Koolaid will be served. Your 4-H club officers met before school started to plan our fall meetings. We will learn how to conduct a meeting, learn the 4-H Motto and Pledge and have a program. See you on the 9th!!!

"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn." -- Benjamin Franklin



Clover Kids (K-2nd) will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 3:45 at the Exhibition Center. This club will feature information and activities each month about our various 4-H projects. The September meeting will be the 16th and they will be learning about dog care. Watch your 4-H app for further information.

We will be having a workday at the 4-H pens in September. If you want a pen at the 4-H farm to house your show pig, lamb, or goat, please call and reserve your pen ASAP. The pens will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Let us know if you need a pen(s) NOW. 806*323*9114.

Food Project Kicks Off!

All 4-Her's that have signed up for the Food Project or are interested in participating, need to mark your calendars for these upcoming meeting dates

Junior Members



Junior Members (8 & in 3rd Grade to 10 years old (as of August 31, 2014) will meet at the Exhibition Center on Tuesday, September 16 at 5:00pm. If you have not already done so, please bring \$5 (to cover the cost of food). Meetings will last about an hour. Meetings will continue to be held September 16, 23, and 30, October 7, 21, and 28 and November 11, unless otherwise notified.

Intermediate & Senior Members



Intermediate and Senior Members (11 years old to 19 years old) will meet at Exhibition Center on Thursdays at 5:30, unless otherwise notified. The next meeting will be September 11, at 5:30pm. If you have not already done so, please bring \$5 to cover the cost of food. Meetings will last about an hour. Meetings will continue to be held on September 18th and 25th, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30th, and November 6th and 13th.

Food Project Contest Dates:

County Food Challenge-Tuesday, September 30th at 6:00 pm
 District Food Challenge*-Tuesday, October 14th in Pampa (Students will be absent from school all day for this event)
 County Food Show-Sunday, October 26th at 2:00pm
 District Food Show*-Saturday, November 15th in Bushland

*There will be Food Challenge and Food Show Rehearsal Sessions scheduled for those going to District Events

Bake Date:

Food Project members will meet at the Exhibition Center on Thursday, October 16th to bake goodies for the Fall Foliage Tour Bake Sale. Food Project members will have a booth in front of the Art Gallery selling sweet treats on Saturday, October 18th, during the tour.

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4-H Livestock Projects

It is time to be making your plans for your sheep/goat projects plus, in October, your show pig projects. Several families already have their sheep and goat projects on feed. Both sheep and goat numbers across the state are low and therefore it is very hard to find quality show goats and lambs. We will be aggressively looking for show pig prospects in October and I plan to make some of the top sales events. Let me know if you need me to hunt for either show pigs or show lambs/goats. I believe in getting the ones off the front end and not the left overs that everyone else has already picked over. Also I want to encourage each family to consider attending at least one major stock show. These are great educational opportunities and family events. It's hard work, but very rewarding and for projects that make the sale, it can be a great way to build a college fund. Let me know soon if I can assist you with the selection of your projects. We have a county trailer that I can use anytime to go and haul your new project back to Canadian.

Sheep and Goat Validation Dates:

October 21st 4-6pm at the FFA/AG Farm
 Or
 October 27th 4-6pm at the 4-H AG Farm

It will be mandatory that your sheep and/or goats are validated by the county validation committee. Please mark your calendar for time/place that best suits you.

Livestock Judging

There will be several livestock judging contests coming up this fall, the first on September 13th in Amarillo during the Tri State Fair, the second in Dallas during the State Fair of Texas on October 6th. If you want to be part of a team please let us know ASAP.

New Projects

4-H DOG CLOB

We will be organizing and having our first meeting to kick off our 4-H Dog Club in the month of September. We are planning to have meetings, clinics and a big dog show over this next 4-H year which starts in September. There is a great deal of interest in this new club. We are looking for adult leaders that either have training experience with dogs or the passion to learn, so please volunteer ASAP. This is a great new 4-H activity that many people will really enjoy and will be a wonderful family event.



4-H Shooting Sports



We will be starting with Shotgun training and shooting in Sept/Oct and then moving into rifle training & shooting in the late fall or early winter. Please get your new 4-H enrollment submitted to our office, if you have not done so. We have tremendous interest in 4-H Shooting Sports. Please be watching for meeting dates coming up and trainings we will be doing.

4-H Minute



Each month, in the newsletter, we will feature information about 4-H. This month we would like to just encourage everyone to attend the first meeting and begin to learn how 4-H works. 4-H has many, many opportunities, such as exchange trips, community service, scholarships, record books, meeting new friends, camps etc. It will take a while to begin to see the big picture of 4-H. Ask questions and stay involved. There is a lot to cover and after a year of being involved you will begin to capture that vision.

Comments or Questions:

Please contact us at the
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 806-323-9114 or hemphill@ag.tamu.edu