

# Atascosa 4-H Newsletter

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## November 2011

### Atascosa 4-H Clubs

**Atascosa Club of Equine Enthusiasts  
(A.C.E.E.) 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month, 7pm**  
Kelli Diemert - (210) 663-2324  
Karen Harris - (830) 570-9222  
First United Methodist Church, Pleasanton

**Atascosa 4-H Homeschoolers Club  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month, 3:15 pm**  
Martha Ojeda - (830) 570-7624  
Kathleen Lange - (210) 508-0772  
Kelli Diemert - (210) 663-2324

**Black Hill 4-H  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month, 6:30pm**  
Kim Lutz - (830) 570-3320  
Xenia Katcsmorak - (210) 288-3308  
Black Hill Comm. Bldg., Black Hill, Tx

**Chaparral 4-H  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month, 6 pm**  
Stephanie Peterson - (830) 399-0683  
Maggie Stobbs - (830) 570-1026  
Verdi Community Center, Verdi, Tx

**Charlotte 4-H  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month, 7:15pm**  
Rachel & Jeffery Schmidt - (830) 277-1529  
1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church, Charlotte, Tx

**Fashing 4-H  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month, 7:30 pm**  
Sharon & John Krueger - (830) 780-3217  
Melissa & Glenn Weigang - (830) 570-7756  
Fashing Civic Center, Fashing Tx

**Jourdanton 4-H  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month, 7pm**  
Liesl & Peter Hons - (210) 215-5871  
Debbie Grimshaw - (830) 570-9280  
St. John Lutheran Church, Jourdanton, Tx

**Leming/Verdi 4-H  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month 6:30pm**  
Sharon Caraway - (830) 570-1793  
Jennifer Cagle - (210) 865-4802  
Verdi Community Center, Verdi, Tx

**Little Atascosa Homeschoolers Clover Kids  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month; 3:15pm**  
Elizabeth George - (830) 570 - 3990  
Pleasanton Church of Christi, Pleasanton, Tx

**Lytle 4-H  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month, 6:30pm**  
Rosemary Bonner - (830) 709-4938  
Lytle Middle School Cafeteria, Lytle, Tx

**Mesquite 4-H  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month, 7pm**  
Sue Ann Smith - (830) 281-3982  
Debbie Ward - (830) 281-4159  
First Baptist Church, Pleasanton, Tx

**Poteet 4-H  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month, 7pm**  
Kathy Wagner - (830) 267-0889  
Larry Wagner - (830) 480-4114  
Poteet High School Cafeteria, Poteet, Tx

Youth are eligible to participate in 4-H; if they are 8 years old **and** in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade or 9 years old by August 31, 2011 and have not reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before August 31, 2011. Texas 4-H Age Categories:

- **Junior Age:** 8-10 years old
- **Intermediate Age:** 11-13 years old
- **Senior Age:** 14-18 years old

All 4-H enrollment; plus district or state contest registration will be done online at:

<http://texas.4honline.com>

- 4-H Enrollment Fee of \$25 starts November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- To continue to receive your monthly newsletter and eligibility to participate in all stockshows or contest youth must be registered online at 4-H Connect <http://texas.4honline.com>.
- Adults that want to volunteer, become an activity leader or project leader **must first pay \$10** fee for a background check and register online at <http://texas.4honline.com>; background check must be cleared before volunteering in 4-H.
- It has come to our attention that e-mails generated from 4-H Connect are sometimes being sent to Junk E-Mail Folders. The 4-H Connect system will periodically generate important notices concerning enrollments and events. Please make sure to add them to your safe senders list and/or contacts.

## Food & Nutrition News

County Food Show Contest was held Oct. 22, 2011 at the St. John Lutheran Church Hall, we had 17 contestants. Results are posted in the back of this newsletter.

### District Food Show Contest

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place winners from the county food show will have the opportunity to compete on **December 10, 2011, Laredo, Tx.**

- Deadline to registration for District Food Show is **November 17<sup>th</sup>** on 4-H Connect <http://texas.4honline.com>.
- 1<sup>st</sup> place Seniors that want to go to District Food Show Contest must have their paperwork **typed** and submit to the extension office by **November 10<sup>th</sup>**.

## Livestock

### Turkey Pickup

- If you placed an order for Turkeys back in July then be ready to pick up your turkeys on **November 1<sup>st</sup>**.
- An extension office staff will contact you with the location and time.
- Bring with you a box or a container for your birds.

### Rabbit News

A Rabbit Clinic will be held **Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm** at the Atascosa County Show Barn. This is a great opportunity to attend, ask questions before you get your rabbits; you do not have to bring your rabbits to this workshop.

- Rabbits must be entered for the County Stock Show by **Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>** at the extension office; this is new for this year. Entering fees and validation fees will take place **December 17, 2011**.
- Rabbit validation is **December 17, 2011**, 8am-10am, Atascosa County Show barn;
- Rabbits should be approximately 69 days old during the Atascosa County stock show.
- Listed below are area rabbit breeders:

Ashley's Bunnies - [clpool@earthlink.net](mailto:clpool@earthlink.net)

Bona-A-Fide Bunny Farm - [gemooring@earthlink.net](mailto:gemooring@earthlink.net)

Jeff Brandes - 361-798-0563

Californian Rabbitry - Cypress, Tx - 713-553-5094

Clifton Doege - Seguin - 830-379-8295

Robert Goslin - Jourdanton - 830-769-2344

March Hares Rabbitry - [mail@marchharesrabbitry.com](mailto:mail@marchharesrabbitry.com)

Phyllis Henson - 979-596-1784

Lance Honig - Devine - 830-931-5968

Cherri Houghton - [cheri@texasrabbitconnection.com](mailto:cheri@texasrabbitconnection.com)  
 Hunny Bunny Rabbitry - [linda@texasrabbitconnection.com](mailto:linda@texasrabbitconnection.com)  
 6-K Rabbitry - [lkellyl@houston.rr.com](mailto:lkellyl@houston.rr.com)  
 Nancy Kreger - New Braunsfels, Tx 830-606-0549  
 Margaret Lange - [margaretlange@msn.com](mailto:margaretlange@msn.com)  
 L.C. Rabbitry - Wills Point, Tx - 903-873-2252  
 Jimmie Maurer - Brenham, Tx - 979-836-8649  
 Kathy Moerbe - Bishop, Tx - 361-584-2622  
 Outlaw Rabbit Ranch - Devine - 830-663-4519  
 Sidney Phillips - Hempstead, Tx - 979-826-6920  
 Royal Rabbitry - Conroe, Tx - 936-446-3391  
 REDSLic Rabbitry - 830-456-5662  
 Kevin Rueb - Kerrville, Tx - 830-896-7895  
 Texlin Rabbits - Port Lavaca, Tx - 361-552-3694 -  
 Tanya Roberts - 830-579-4460  
 Tiffany Tucker - Lockhart - 512-567-2344  
 Wayne Wright - Smithville, Tx - 512-237-4164  
 Heather Yanta - 830-663-3775

### Swine Validation Dates

**Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>** - Jourdanton Ag Barn; 3:30pm  
**Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>** - Poteet Ag Barn; 3:30pm  
**Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>** - Livestock Exchange Barn; 8am - 10am  
**Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>** - Somerset High School; 8am-10am.

**Houston, Austin or non-County Swine Validation: Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>** - Poteet Ag Barn; 3:30pm - this is the final validation for all major show barrows that do not plan to show at Atascosa County.

Load up your swine for one of the above validation dates; Parent and youth signatures are required on validation forms.

### Atascosa County Jr. Livestock Show Entry Forms

- Entry Forms for Atascosa County Jr. Livestock show are due **November 10<sup>th</sup>** to the extension office.
- Cost is \$20.00 per animal per child in the market and breeding show.
- Validation fees paid earlier this year are not entry fees for Atascosa Co. Jr. Livestock show or any major livestock show.
- We will stay open late on **November 10<sup>th</sup>** til 7pm to assist you with your stock show entries.

- **Stock Show entry fee and validation fee for rabbits will be done December 17<sup>th</sup>.**
- Atascosa Co. Jr. Livestock Show Entry form can be found at the back of this newsletter or come by the extension office.
- Please do not forget to mark your calendar for this important date, after November 10<sup>th</sup> it will cost you more to enter or possibly not show at stockshow.

### San Antonio, Houston, Austin, Ft. Worth and San Angelo Livestock Show Entry Forms

- Entry forms for Fort Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo, Houston and Austin Livestock Shows are due **November 10<sup>th</sup>**, to the Extension Office.
- Some entry forms will be available at our office starting in mid-October.
- We will stay open late on **November 10<sup>th</sup>** til 7pm to assist you with your stock show entries.
- ***It's important that you remember these dates,*** it takes time to process entries for 5 major stock shows and if you'll work with us, we'll do our best to make sure your entries are taken care of properly.
- Please do not forget to mark your calendar, after November 10 it will cost you more to enter or possibly not show at any of the major stockshows.

### Lamb & Goat Clinic

**November 16<sup>th</sup>**; 6pm, bring your lambs and goats we will plan to hoof trim, deworm and have a showmanship clinic, all at the Atascosa County Livestock Show Grounds.

### 4-H Livestock Judging Practice

**November 21<sup>st</sup>**; 6pm, Capital Farm Credit Building located between Jourdanton and Pleasanton on Highway 97. Do you have what it takes to judge livestock, to give reasons as to why you selected one animal over another? If so, then Livestock Judging may be something you would like to do. This will be our 1<sup>st</sup> practice this year. We plan to work on judging cattle, lambs, and swine. 4-Hers

that work on these practices will be eligible to compete at the San Antonio and Houston Livestock Judging Contest.

## IMPORTANT – STOCK SHOW EXHIBITORS - Quality Counts Test

- Quality Counts verification will be required for all youth exhibiting livestock (market and/or breeding) at major livestock shows in Texas (including the Ft. Worth Livestock Show, San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Star of Texas Fair in Austin, San Angelo Livestock Show, Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa, State Fair of Texas in Dallas, and Heart O' Texas Fair in Waco).
- The verification process will require 4-H exhibitors to pass an online test that measures their knowledge on quality assurance and character education content items.
- All 4-Hers must take this test before – **November 10<sup>th</sup>**.
- Quality Counts Test and more information available at <http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu>.

## Ambassador & Council Officer News

- **November 17<sup>th</sup> – Thursday**, Ambassador Officer meeting at **6pm**, Coastal Bend College, Pleasanton, Tx.
- **November 17<sup>th</sup> – Thursday**, Council Officer meeting at **7pm**, Coastal Bend College, Pleasanton, Tx.

## School Tour Guides for San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo

- San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo are looking for leaders for school tour guides during the stock show and rodeo in February 2012.

- Great opportunity to get a scholarship award from San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo.
- Must be in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Choose a tour date from below and call the extension office 830-769-3066 or email your dates to [resquivel@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:resquivel@ag.tamu.edu) or [mzepeda@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:mzepeda@ag.tamu.edu) by **November 30<sup>th</sup>**.
- Choose a date that will not conflict with showing your animal project during the San Antonio Stock Show.
- The 2012 tour dates are as follow:

### Week 1

Monday – Feb. 13  
Tuesday – Feb. 14  
Wednesday – Feb. 15  
Thursday – Feb. 16  
Friday – Feb. 17

### Week 2

Monday – Feb. 20  
Tuesday – Feb. 21  
Wednesday – Feb. 22

## Community Service Notice

**Atascosa 4-H Fund Raiser** (Double Trouble Steer & Heifer Prospect Show) -

- Belt Buckle sponsors needed - \$200, \$100, \$50 or \$25.
- 4-Hers and Adults needed starting Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup>; for early registration, ring man, setup, cleanup, and concession stand.
- Items needed for concession stand are drinks – (sodas, water, Gatorade), squeeze bottles of mayo & mustard, picante sauce, #10 cans of Chili & Nacho Cheese, candy, pickles (sliced & whole) cups, plates, paper towels or napkins, homemade baked good (cut & individually wrapped), chips (individual bags, fritos & nacho chips), etc. etc. etc., items can be dropped off at the extension office before or by November 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Blankets for Babies** – Jaclyn Bonner of Lytle 4-H Club is collecting new and gently used, clean blankets of all sizes again this year. These blankets are distributed to several charities such as Any Baby Can, SAMM Shelter, Battered Women's Shelter, and Ronald McDonald House and can be

dropped off at the Atascosa Extension Office now through November 30th.

## Shooting Sports

- For more information on the Atascosa 4H Shooting Sports Program, please contact the Extension Office, Boyd Grimshaw 830-570-0110 [boydgrimshaw@hotmail.com](mailto:boydgrimshaw@hotmail.com) or Jimmy Meyer 830-570-7071.
- District and State Shooting Sports events, newsletters and calendar of events visit: [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/shooting\\_sports/index.php](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/shooting_sports/index.php)

## Youth Day @ San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo

- **What is Youth day?** – 4-H members gather at the San Antonio Stock show to showcase their talents, activities, & project work by setting up an exhibit, hands-on activity booths for visitors, Additional activities include photography contest and wagon & wheelbarrow parade.
- Youth Day set for Saturday, February 11, 2012, 10am – 4pm.
- You are responsible for submitting Entry Forms by email, mail or faxed to the San Antonio Stock Show by or before January 20, 2012.
- All Entry forms, rules and more information can be found at [www.sarodeo.com](http://www.sarodeo.com) “Annual Events” - Youth Day.

## Prospect Shows

- **November 5<sup>th</sup> - Atascosa 4-H South Texas Double Trouble Steer & Heifer Prospect Show** - , Atascosa County Show Barn, Pleasanton, Tx. Entry fee Ring A \$35, Ring B \$35 Steer only. Early entry deadline October 30<sup>th</sup>, late fee \$10 per entry.
- **November 12 & 13 - Duval Classic Steer, Heifer, Lamb & Goat Prospect Show;**

Benavides FFA Farm, \$20 per head, deadline Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, More info contact Sam Gavito, CEA, 361-256-4591.

- **November 19 - La Vernia Bluebonnet Goat Show, La Vernia, Tx;** \$15 per head; pre-entry deadline Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>. Contact Julie Skrzycki 210.744.3093.
- **December 3<sup>rd</sup> - Coastal Bend Classic Youth Livestock Clinic and Show,** San Patricio County Fairgrounds, Sinton, Tx. More information and to register visit <http://d114-h.tamu.edu/events-and-contests/coastal-bend-classic/>
- **December 3 & 4 - Dimmit County Classic Steer, Heifer, Swine, Lamb and Goat Show -** Carrizo Springs Show Barn, entry fee \$25 per heard, \$10 late after Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, Lambs and Goats show Dec. 3<sup>th</sup>, Steers, Heifers and Swine show Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. For more info contact Richie Griffin at 830-876-4216.
- **December 3 - Mesquite Country Classic Heifer & Lamb Prospect Show;** Willacy County Show Grounds; \$20 per head; More information contact Lyford Ag Dept. 956.347.3909 x 245.
- **Cowboy Classic Goat & Lamb Prospect Show; December 10, 2011;** \$15 entry fee before Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>; Atascosa County Show Barn; contact Mark Bauer 210.827.3999 or [bauer3006@msn.com](mailto:bauer3006@msn.com); David Davidson 830.570.1651 or [kdavidson76@live.com](mailto:kdavidson76@live.com).
- **Chaparral 4-H Winter Sizzler Steer Show; December 11, 2011;** Ring A \$30 per head, Ring B \$20 points only; Atascosa County Show Barn; Contact Stephanie Peterson 830-399-0683 or Maggie Stobbs 830-570-1026 or Joe Taylor 830-769-3066

## November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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27	28	29	30			

- 1 Turkeys Arrive
- 4 Show Barn Clean; 3:30pm
- 5 Double Trouble Prospect Show
- 6 Daylight Savings Time ends
- 8 Swine Validation; Jourdanton
- 9 Swine Validation; Poteet
- 10 County Stock Show deadline  
Major Stock Show deadline
- 11 Holiday – Extension Office closed –  
Veteran’s Day
- 12 Swine Validation; 8am – 10am
- 15 Rabbit Clinic; 6:30pm
- 16 Lamb & Goat Clinic; 6pm
- 17 6pm – Ambassador Officer Meeting  
7pm - Council Officer Meeting
- 21 Livestock Judging Practice; 6pm
- 24 Holiday – Thanksgiving
- 25 Holiday – Extension Office closed
- 28 Last Swine Validation; Poteet

### 4-H Websites:

- Texas 4-H – <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu>
- District 12 4-H – <http://d124-h.tamu.edu>
- Atascosa 4-H – <http://atascosa.agrilife.org>

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- 10 District Food Show Contest
- 17 Rabbit Validation
- 22 1<sup>st</sup> day of Winter
- 23 Holiday – Extension office closed
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Holiday – Extension office closed
- 31 New Year’s Eve

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# County Food Show Contest Results

## Main Dish

Hannah West	Junior	Mesquite 4-H	Teriyaki Chicken Bowls	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Luke Robertson	Interm.	Charlotte 4-H	Mini Sweet & Spicy Meat Loaves	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Joann Forehand	Interm.	Mesquite 4-H	Baked Eggs in Biscuit Cups	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Jaclyn Bonner	Senior	Lytle 4-H	Chicken Cranberry Almond Salad	1 <sup>st</sup> Place

## Fruit & Vegetable

Kendall Hagen	Junior	Mesquite 4-H	Refrigerator Dill Cucumbers	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Isaiah Schmidt	Junior	Charlotte 4-H	Broccoli Cheese Casserole	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Hannah Ward	Interm.	Mesquite 4-H	Spinach Salad	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Rebekah Wagner	Senior	Poteet 4-H	Tex-Mex Sweet Potato Salad	1 <sup>st</sup> Place

## Breads & Cereal

Autumn Hagen	Junior	Mesquite 4-H	Whole Wheat Seed Bread	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Seth Robertson	Junior	Charlotte 4-H	Banana Bread	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Morgan Powell	Junior	Mesquite 4-H	Whole Wheat Banana Nut Bread	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
Ravyn Schmidt	Senior	Charlotte 4-H	Carrot Bread	1 <sup>st</sup> Place

## Nutritious Snacks

Allyson Bautista	Junior	Jourdanton 4-H	Teddy Fruit Toss	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Elizabeth West	Junior	Mesquite 4-H	Berry & Yogurt Parfait	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
Emily Powell	Junior	Mesquite 4-H	Fun Fruit Kabob	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
Rori Roberts	Interm.	Mesquite 4-H	Pecan Stuffed Dates	1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Paige Smith	Senior	Mesquite 4-H	Three Olive Tapenade Recipe	1 <sup>st</sup> Place