



Crane 4-H News

4-H Kickoff Coming Up

WooHoo it is time to get the new year rolling!

2016-17 here we come.

With the start of the new school year, it is time to get 4-H Kicked Off.

So mark your calendars. 4-H Kickoff will be on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Crane Exhibition Building.

We will have lots of food,

fun and friends. So don't miss it.

Each 4-H member and leader must re-enroll every year. You can enroll beginning on August 16th. Enrollment can be completed one of four ways: 1). At Kickoff 2). Online at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu> and then select 4-H Connect and enter your information 3). Stop by the

Extension office and we will be glad to help you, or 4). Return the enrollment form you receive in your green 4-H bag to the Extension office.

Enrollment fee is \$20 per 4-H member until October 31, 2016. Thereafter it will increase to \$25.

Leader registration fees are covered by the Crane 4-H Club.



Sheep and Goat Tag Orders

It is that time of year to order validation tags for sheep and goats. If you are planning on showing

a lamb or a goat, please call the office to let us know how many of each species you have so that

we are able to order the correct number of tags. If your animal isn't tagged, you can't show!

Project Information

After Kickoff several of the projects will be getting underway. We will share exact dates with you as soon as we have them.

Foods and Nutrition

Will begin in mid-October. We need more leaders to help with this project.

Rifle

Will begin in mid-October also. Please watch for dates. There will be a cut off date for Rifle.



Things to Remember

4-H Kickoff	Sept 13th
Order Sheep & Goat Tags	August 19th
Permian Basin Fair Entries Due	August 24th
State Fair Texas Entries Due	August 22nd



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Pen and Animal Checks

As some of you know, I have been conducting random pen checks when I have available time. Keep in mind that it is your responsibility to follow the written rules and it is my job to enforce them. If you receive a pen check notice, it does not necessarily mean that you are in trouble. It means that I came by and noticed that something needed to be taken care of or I noticed that you are doing an excellent job and wanted to compliment you. Consider that these pens are free for your use. Be that as it may, a large portion of the up-keep of those facilities falls on your shoulders.

The county has been working on several things that needed maintenance (ie. weed and grass control, filling in holes in the pens). If everyone pulls their weight and maintains their pens in accordance with the rules, not only will the pens be cleaner and easier to maintain, they will also be safer and animals will remain healthy. If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, please don't hesitate to call or come by the office. Lyndi Bryant, CEA



Sheep and Goat Pen Repair



The county will begin work on the sheep and goat pens on August 1. In order to work on pens that already have animals in them, animals will need to be temporarily moved. For the safety of the animal, it is preferable that the exhibitor move their animals. If you have sheep and goats in

the county pens, please call the office to let us know what pen you are in so that we are able to call you and let you know when your animals need to be moved, where they need to be moved to and when they can be moved back. We really appreciate your cooperation!

Permian Basin Fair and State Fair

Permian Basin Fair Entry Deadline – August 22, 2016

Permian Basin Fair Schedule:

September 9 – Sheep/goat and Steer/Heifer check-in

September 10 – Goat Show

September 11 – Lamb, Steer and Heifer Show

September 16- Swine check-in

September 17- Swine Show

State Fair Entries due in Extension Office – August 24



Clinics @ the Permian Basin Fair

Permian Basin Cattle Clinic 102

When: September 10th, 2016 at 2:00 PM

Where: Ector County Coliseum, Barn C

Come learn about how to prepare your steer/heifer for the show ring and how to care for them while at the show!

Permian Basin Sheep and Goat Clinic 101

When: September 10, 2016 at 6:00PM

Where: Ector County Coliseum, Barn E

Come learn how to select, feed, and care for your sheep and goat project to ensure that it is as show ready as it can be come show time!

Permian Basin Hog Clinic 101

When: September 17, 2016 at 10:00 AM

Where: Ector County Coliseum, Barn E

Come learn how to select, feed, and care for your hog project to ensure that it is as ready as possible!

NOTE: All Permian Basin clinics are held in conjunction with the Permian Basin fair. There is not a fee for attending the clinic, no animals are to be brought to the clinic, and you do not have to be a part of the fair to attend.

Medina County Prospect Show

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Steer and Heifer Prospect Show – September 9-11

Meat Goat and Lamb Prospect Show – September 17-18

Where: Medina County Fairgrounds, Hondo, TX

Entry Fee: \$30 (Late Entries: \$40)

Entry Deadline: August 26th



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