

HAPPY NEW YEAR

**Williamson
County
4-H Express**



Florence	Georgetown	Granger	Happy Tails
Hoofpicks	Hutto	Junior Master Gardeners	Liberty Hill
Round Rock	Shooting Sports	Shotgun Sports	Summit Christian
Taylor	Thrall	Junior Vet Science	Future Vets of Texas
Georgetown HS Vet Science	Williamson Co Homeschool Vet Science	Wilco Rowels	

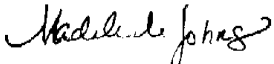


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Adult Leaders Meeting

An Adult Leaders Meeting will be held on **Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Small Conference Room at the County Extension Office. Please plan to attend.

4-H County Council Meeting

The Williamson County 4-H County Council Meeting will be held on **Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.** at the County Extension Office.

We need at least one or more representatives from each club to attend. If you have any question please contact Brandon David

**CALENDAR OF
EVENTS:**



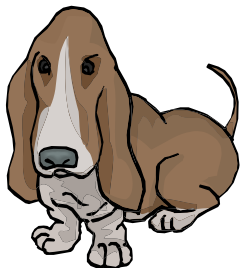
- 5 Adult Leaders Meeting
- 5 County Council Meeting
- 10 Dog Validation Forms due at CEO
- 10 Broilers Delivered for San Antonio
- 13 Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo Starts
- 20 San Antonio Youth Day entries due
- 27 San Antonio Livestock Exposition Rural Youth Award Applications Due
- 27 Texas 4-H and Youth Development Opportunity Scholarship applications Due



- 9 San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo Starts
- 28 Houston Livestock Show Starts



- 11 Star of Austin Stock Show & Rodeo Starts
- 23 4-H Adult Leadership Association Scholarship Due



4-H Dog Project

Dog validation forms are due at the County Extension Office by **January 10, 2012.**



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School Tours Committee



Saturday, February 11, 2012

Many of you and your 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA members, parents, and leaders have participated in Youth Day at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo. Because Youth Day 2011 was such a great success, 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA will once again team up with the School Tours committee for Youth Day 2012! Youth Day will be Saturday, February 11, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Youth Day 2012 will include interactive and informative exhibits, a Photography Contest, a Salute to our scholarship recipients, and the Wagon & Wheelbarrow Parade. The San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo's Youth Day is an excellent opportunity for promoting the accomplishments of 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA youth! The day's schedule will be as follows:

8:30 a.m.	School Tours tent open for set-up
10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Interactive & Informative Exhibits & Activities
12:00 p.m.	Salute to S.A.L.E. Scholars
1:15 p.m.	Line up for Wagons & Wheelbarrows Parade
1:30 p.m.	Wagons & Wheelbarrows Parade
2:30 p.m.	Parade Awards
3:00 p.m.	Photography Contest Awards Ceremony
4:30 p.m.	Exhibits are closed

Email your entries! The deadline for entries is **January 20, 2012**. Please print your entry forms from the San Antonio Livestock Show & Rodeo webpage: go to www.sarodeo.com and locate the entry forms under "Youth Day" located under the "Annual Events" tab. Participate in all the Youth Day activities you would like, but plan one exhibit table for each club or chapter. Then fill out the form, re-scan it, and send ONE entry for each club or chapter to schooltours@sarodeo.com subject: Youth Day. Include the total number of youth and adults that you expect to participate in activities and your exhibit. Please list the address of a school or county extension office, as these are the only locations that passes will be mailed to.

Your County Extension Agent or Chapter Advisor will receive a schedule of activities, map of the grounds, passes, and other important information about Youth Day no later than **February 3, 2012**. We look forward to your group's participation. Feel free to contact Audra Schulz with any questions by email: schooltours@sarodeo.com subject: Youth Day.

2012 WILLIAMSON COUNTY 4-H ADULT LEADERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

1. Scholarships will be awarded annually with amount varying each year. Amount will depend on number of graduating seniors & availability of funds.
2. Each student receiving a scholarship will be able to use monies at a college, university, or technical school of their choice.
3. Students must have been enrolled in 4-H for a minimum of 3 years and must be actively involved in 4-H projects and activities, and show exceptional leadership capabilities throughout their 4-H careers. Applicants must have completed and submitted an acceptable record book for the past two years.
4. All applicants must submit the following:
 - a. Scholarship application -Can be emailed to you or picked up at CEO
 - b. High School transcript
 - c. Letters of recommendation from:
 1. 4-H Leader
 2. Community or school leader
 - d. Most recent record book
5. Scholarship will be announced at recipients High School graduation and annual 4-H awards banquet.
6. Before receiving scholarship, recipient must submit proof of school registration, social security number, name and address of financial aid office/director at school they will be attending. These items must be submitted 30 days prior to when recipient needs scholarship. All scholarship monies will be mailed directly to the financial aid office and will be distributed through them. Any monies left over or refunded will remain in student's scholarship account at school or be returned to Williamson County 4-H.
7. The intent of the Williamson County 4-H Adult Leaders Association Scholarship is to provide an equal amount awarded to equally qualified applicants. Qualified is considered a good 4-H learning experience and an appropriately completed application. Unqualified applications are those that have not demonstrated 4-H learning experiences, and have not adequately completed the scholarship application. It is not our intent to award a scholarship to unqualified applicants. A committee consisting of 2 County Extension Agents, 2 community leaders, and 2 4-H adult leaders will judge the applications. The decision made by the committee will be final.
8. Money must be claimed within 2 years of being awarded to recipient.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 23, 2012

State of Fair Texas Scholarship

For the past 17 years, the fair has provided livestock scholarships to deserving youth and given them the aid needed to attend college. The fair has awarded 622 youth livestock scholarships to-date and continues to help students further their education. To be eligible to apply, students must have competed at the fair in a livestock event, such as showing an animal or public speaking. In 2008, the scholarship amount increased to \$5,000 and is renewable for up to four years.

Scholarship winners are chosen based on academics, financial need, and involvement at the fair. Each year, the State Fair of Texas changes the lives of graduating seniors, by giving them an opportunity to further their education, which otherwise, might not have been possible.

Applications available on BigTex.com starting December 1, 2011 and applications will be accepted from January 2, 2012 to March 1, 2012.

2012 San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. Rural Youth Award

The San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. established the Rural Youth Award 55 years ago to honor youth leaders across the State of Texas. Today, this award provides recognition for 4-H and FFA members who have shown outstanding leadership in their organization and community. Each organization conducts its own nomination and selection process and submits 20 honorees to represent their respective organization. Texas youth involved in 4-H and FFA may apply for this award through only one organization.

Youth who apply must be at least 16 years of age and a high school junior or senior as of August 31, 2011.

Youth must have been an active 4-H member for at least 3 years prior to applying for the award. Youth must plan to enroll in a degree plan that is on the SALE scholarship approved list of majors to be eligible.

Youth must be willing to participate in the 2012 Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Awards Orientation, Presentation, and Banquet during the 2012 Texas 4-H Roundup on Monday, June 11, 2012 in Lubbock, Texas.

Applications are due to the County Office by January 27, 2012 For more information visit http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/scholarships/index_youth_scholarships.php



Texas 4-H and Youth Development Opportunity Scholarship

The Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program and the 4-H Youth Development Foundation is once again please 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.

What is new for 2012:

- ☞ Value of scholarships will range from \$1,000 to \$16,000.
- ☞ Applicants will NOT be excused from either the face-to-face interview or the scholarship assembly.
- ☞ Applicants and families should plan accordingly based on the dates provided in the guidelines.
- ☞ Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has raised the value of their scholarships from \$15,000 to \$16,000.
- ☞ Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has raised their maximum amount of financial aid/scholarships that an applicant can have confirmed from \$40,000 to \$75,000.

Visit website for more information:

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/youth/scholarships>

Scholarship Applications Due to County Office January 27, 2012.

2011 4-H County Food Challenge and Food Show

The 2011 4-H County Food Challenge and Food Show was held on November 10, 2011 at the Williamson County Extension Training Room.

Congratulations to everyone!

Results of the Food Challenge Teams are as follows:

Clovers

Alexis Pfitzner

Junior/Intermediate Teams

1st Place - Red Hot Chili Peppers - Chase Heffernan, Analise Flatt, Grace Texter, Claire Godwin

2nd Place - Petit Fours - Hannah Chambers, Elizabeth Franklin, Megan Moore, Hannah Schneider

Participants - Food Funatics - Rachel Fowler, Luke Fowler, Payton Holcomb, Bailey Hart

Participants - Shake-N-Bakes - Klay Davis, Tanner Thompson, Colton Montgomery, Abbie Hallmark, Samantha Barnett

Participants - Food Challenge Team 1 - Tristan Thompson, Bailey Garrett, Bethany Garrett, Morgan Wolbrueck, Taylor Wolbrueck

Participants - Foodnators - Amber Compton, Amelia McCarthy, Zachariah Johnson, Katelyn Johnson, Connor Heffernan

Senior Teams

1st Place - Purple People Eaters - Jacob Epps, Shelby Bremigan, Garrett Hancock, Clare Trent, Ashlyn Wade

2nd Place - Chef's Palate - Caleb Fowler, Haley Fowler, Seth Thomas, Kord Davis, Tyler Thompson

Results of the Food Show are as follows:

1st Place - Main Dish - Ashleigh Snyder

1st Place - Bread and Cereal - Seth Thomas

1st Place - Nutritious Snacks - Haley Fowler

District 4-H Food Challenge and Food Show

The District 4-H Food Challenge and Food Show will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2011 in Belton. Congratulations to all the participants and winners!



San Antonio passes will be ready in the next couple of weeks.

Austin and **Houston** will be ready toward the middle of February

You can pick these passes up as soon as they are available. **Houston** only gives us a certain number of car passes for each week. To be fair, we will be drawing names out of a hat to see who gets one. We will try to work with everyone to make sure that passes are distributed as fair as possible.



Major Stock Show Websites

Fort Worth: <http://www.fwssr.com>

San Antonio: www.sarodeo.com

San Angelo: www.sanangelorodeo.com

Houston: <http://www.hlsr.com>

Star of Texas: www.rodeoaustin.com



Fort Worth Exhibitor passes will be ready **January 3, 2012.**

Please call if you have any questions.

Read handbook for rules & dates!!

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Best of luck to our Seniors moving on to State Competition!!

Junior/Intermediate Food Challenge

1st Place and Team Spirit Award Junior Team

Petit Fours

Hannah Chambers
Elizabeth Franklin
Megan Moore
Hannah Schneider



3rd Place Junior Team

Red Hot Chili Peppers

Chase Heffernan
Analise Flatt
Grace Texter
Claire Godwin



Senior Food Challenge

1st Place and Team Spirit Award Chef's Palate - Moving on to State Roundup in June

Caleb Fowler
Hayley Fowler
Seth Thomas
Kord Davis
Tyler Thompson



3rd Place Purple People Eaters

Shelby Bremigan
Jacob Epps
Garrett Hancock
Clare Trent
Ashlyn Wade



Food Show Results

MAIN DISH

5th Place Ashleigh Snyder



BREAD & CEREAL

3rd Place Seth Thomas



NUTRITIOUS SNACKS

2nd Place Hayley Fowler



Thank you to each of our food leaders and team moms for your continued support.





4-H Motto and Pledge

*In support of the 4-H Club Motto,
To make the best better, I pledge:
My Head to clearer thinking,
My Heart to greater loyalty.
My Hands to larger service, and
My Health to better living*



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