



June 2021

Operation Serve

Project Summary:

Annual collaborative effort of the City of Plainview, First United Methodist Church and other churches/organizations in Plainview, which recruits volunteers to serve in the community. The goal of this day is to supply holistic opportunities in which every church, organization, and age group can utilize individual gifts/skills to personally aid in the development of the community. Opportunities range from baking/cooking, sewing, and visiting assisted living centers, to yard work, house clean-up, small maintenance repairs, and other odd jobs that citizens in Plainview may not be able to physically or financially complete. Volunteers spend the day working these various projects and are encouraged to utilize this experience as a "spring board" for continual involvement in the community.

City of Plainview joined forces with Operation: Serve in 2015 in order to collaborate on a city-wide cleanup day to encourage all citizens to clean up their properties. Roll-off containers were setup in strategic locations around town with volunteers available to help unload. Volunteers were also able to assist those that did not have the means to drop off their trash. The results were great with approximately 200 volunteers and 24.52 tons of trash, brush, and tires being collected in one day.

Project Description:

Having a community clean-up day certainly is not unique in the world of municipalities. This is a key way cities can encourage their citizens to take pride in their community, their neighborhood, and their home. By providing ways to make it easier for citizens to participate, it makes the chance of strong participation even better. Plainview's goal was to clean-up trash and debris found throughout town by providing opportunities for citizens to comply voluntarily versus using code enforcement and citations.

Clean Hike and Bike Trail RSVP and Hale County 4-H

Chairman: Campbell Offield

WHEN: Saturday, June 26th at 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Hike and Bike Trail

All 4-H members are asked to meet at the gazebo off of Quincy street. We will divide into groups and clean the trail with the RSVP members.

An E-Waste event will also be held during Operation Serve at the First United Methodist Church in Plainview.



Red, White & Moo Celebration

WHEN: Friday, July 2nd

WHERE: Kidsville

The Dairy Women Association is sponsoring the Red, White & Moo event. Hale County 4-Her is in charge of the petting zoo. There will not be a parade this year.

Event times are as follows:

Shift 1: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Need 2 adults and 4 4-Hers)

Shift 2: 7:00 p.m. (Need 2 adults and 4 4-Hers)

Free milk, cheese, ice cream and yogurts will be given.

Fireworks will begin at dusk!

Please call the Extension Office at 291-5270 or Beverly Wall at 774-1040 to sign-up. For more information, contact Beverly Wall at 774-1040. If you are a volunteer and would like a Red, White and Moo shirt, they will be given out to volunteers on a "first come, first serve" basis. No youth sizes will be available. **Please make sure you are on time to work your shift.**

Summer Meals on Wheels Opportunity

Any 4-Her who would like to deliver Meals on Wheels during the summer, please contact Kim Horne at 806-292-9020. She will be happy to find a route for you. Volunteers are always needed to fill in for the fulltime volunteers. You may volunteer for as many or few days as you wish.

Meals on Wheels Scholarship

Hale County Meals on Wheels, Inc. awards scholarships to a senior student who is pursuing higher education and who meets the criteria listed below. Awards are based solely on the number of volunteer hours accumulated with our organization. Hours may be accumulated by students during their junior and senior year. Students can begin accumulating hours at the first of their junior year. Hours that count toward this scholarship must be performed between September 1, 2020, through April 15, 2022. You must take responsibility for keeping up with the dates and hours of your volunteer service and turn in the attached log to the scholarship committee. Dates and hours will be verified by the committee. All public, private, and home-schooled students living in Hale County are eligible. Annabeth Alison won the scholarship in 2020.

These community service opportunities are available at the club meetings this month:

- FISH - paper sacks & plastic bags (County)
- PAWS Pet Adoption - loose change (County)
- Manufacturer's Coupons (County)
- "Blue Jeans Go Green" Denim Recycling - any type of old denim (State)
- Ronald McDonald House - aluminum cans (District)
- Pennies for Progress - loose change for the Texas 4-H Center projects (State)
- Hunger Plus - bottled water, Kool-Aid Jammers, Capri Suns, other boxed drinks (International)
- K.W.A.K. Cart-stuffed animals, coloring books, crayons (County)
- FISH - children's cereal & pop-tarts (County)