

HALE COUNTY 4-H  
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Connection*

December 2021

### **Gold Star Banquet**

The 64th Annual Gold Star Banquet was held Monday, November 22nd at the Eberly Brooks Center in Lubbock. The banquet recognizes Gold Star recipients and Distinguished Leaders from each county in District 2 and is sponsored by area electrical cooperatives. The 2020-2021 Gold Star recipients were **Graden Allen and Berkley Carver**, and the Distinguished Leader for 2020-2022 was **Heath Bozeman**.



### **National 4-H Congress**

Graden Allen and Campbell Offield selected as two of 33 delegates to represent Texas at National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, GA.



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# JOIN THE CLUB

## **Abernathy 4-H Clover Kids Club**

WHEN: Thursday, December 2nd at 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: Abernathy Elementary School Cafeteria

CLUB MANAGERS: Ginger Moore & Brandi Holder

## **Abernathy 4-H Club**

WHEN: Thursday, December 16th at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Abernathy Elementary Cafeteria

CLUB MANAGERS: Stephanie Allen & Carolyn Curry

## **Cotton Center 4-H Club**

WHEN: Thursday, December 16th at 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: First Baptist Church

CLUB MANAGER: Christina Metzler

## **Hale County 4-H Horse Club** **Plainview 4-H Clover Kids Club** **Plainview 4-H Club**

WHEN: Monday, December 13th at 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Plainview Roller Rink (921 Ash)

CLUB MANAGERS:

Hale County 4-H Horse Club: Kelley Bozeman,  
Sherrie Cheyne, & Lisa Wright

Plainview 4-H Clover Kids: Beverly Wall

Plainview 4-H Club: Crystal Davenport

## **Petersburg 4-H Project Club**

WHEN: TBA

WHERE: Petersburg High School Ag Classroom

REMEMBER: ALL MEMBERS HAVE TO ENROLL ON 4-H ONLINE AND PAY THE MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$30 IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY 4-H ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING SHOOTING SPORTS AND/OR SHOWING LIVESTOCK. PARENTS AND ADULTS NEED TO REGISTER IF THEY PLAN TO VOLUNTEER.

**\*\*YOU MUST RE-ENROLL EVERY YEAR!\*\***

## **FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM!** **Hale County 4-H Youth Development**



Like us on:



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This will be a great way to keep updated on what is going on in Hale County 4-H!



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**\*\*If you have anything for next month's newsletter, please get it to the office by Wednesday, December 29th by 4:00 p.m.!\*\***

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# ♦ ♦ TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER ♦ ♦

## Food Show

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 11th at 8:30 a.m. at Sundown ISD

## Livestock Quiz Bowl & FCH Bowl (formerly Nutrition Quiz Bowl)

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 11th at 10:15 a.m. at Sundown ISD

## Educational Presentation, Public Speaking, and Share-the-Fun

COUNTY CONTEST: Monday, December 6th at First Presbyterian Church, Plainview

DISTRICT CONTEST: Virtual via Video

4HONLINE: Opens December 4th & Closes January 5th

## District Food Challenge Results

The District Food Challenge competition was held Monday, November 8th in Levelland. Hale County had 13 teams and 46 members compete. Congratulations to all who participated!

**Junior:** Side Dish 1 - 1st - Kellin Hart, Saige Spradley, & Camilla Yates

Appetizer 1 - 3rd - Madeline Hamilton, Addison Johnston, & Evelyn Mathis

**Intermediate:** Main Dish 3 - 1st - Gus Boedeker, Hank Bouma, Shyla Kotaiya, & Cambrie Long

Side Dish 3 - 3rd - Daphne Moore, Ella Moore, Jayden Montgomery, & Shay Mulcock



*For more information on these contests/events, contact Audra Guess at 291-5270 or [audra.guess@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:audra.guess@ag.tamu.edu).*





RSVP BY DEC. 10TH  
TO THE HALE CO. EXT OFFICE  
806-291-5270

*\$10 FEE TO SAVE YOUR SPOT  
(ONLY 10 SPOTS AVAILABLE)*


CANVAS, PAINTS, PAINT BRUSHES &  
SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED

**December 21st**  
**9:00 - 12:00**

*Sketching with a Twist*

JOIN US TO LEARN SKETCHING TECHNIQUES  
YOU CAN USE FOR THE 4-H FASHION  
STORYBOARD PROJECT! LEAVE WITH YOUR  
OWN SNOWMAN PAINTING!

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*Merry Christmas*

**An Evening with 4-H**


We would like to invite anyone who would like to perform a musical piece or recite a Christmas-related poem to join us at the ante Fe House. We will be combining this with our annual Christmas Caroling during their evening meal. Please be there at 5 p.m.

Date: December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Time: 4:30p.m.

Address: 3404 SW 5th, Plainview, TX 79072

Contact: Lindsie Mathis at 292-5375



## **Save the Date**

### **Running Water Draw 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Meetings**

ONLY TWO SAFETY MEETINGS FOR EACH DISCIPLINE!!!!

Running Water Draw Shooting Sports Club will hold the first safety meeting for all new and returning shooting sports members. This will allow someone involved in more than one discipline to cover all safety meetings at one time. Everyone must attend - Parents must be present.

**WHAT:** All Disciplines

**WHEN:** Sunday, January 23rd at 5:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** St. Paul Fellowship Hall (901 Oakland St., Plainview)

#### **Rifle**

**ATTENTION!!** Limited to 25 people due to practice range size. First come, first serve basis.

**WHEN:** Tuesday, January 25th at 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Guns Up Range

**DISTRICT CONTEST:** Saturday, April 9th

#### **Archery**

**WHEN:** Tuesday, March 29th at 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Guns Up Range

**DISTRICT CONTEST:** TBA

#### **Shotgun**

**WHEN:** TBA

**WHERE:** TBA

**DISTRICT CONTEST:** Friday, June 24th & Saturday, June 25th



## **Robert's Tree House Tour**

Chairmen: Kolt & Kleat Barrett

WHEN: Wednesday, December 8th at 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Robert's Tree House (2503 Dimmitt Hwy)

Robert Barnett & Chris LaDuke will present a program over live Christmas trees as well as yard and tree care during the winter. All Junior Master Gardeners are required to attend. For more information, contact Beverly Wall at 774-1040.

## **Plainview Parks Department Tour**

Chairman: Campbell Offield

WHEN: Wednesday, December 15th at 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Plainview Parks Department (200 S. Beech)

Ricky Summer, Parks Department Superintendent, will provide a tour of the park facilities and the Downtown Plainview Landscaping.

## **Decorate Christmas Parade Float**

Chairmen: Jaiden, Braiden, & Azlyn Barbian

WHEN: Wednesday, December 1st at 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Terminix Building (718 N. Austin)

4-H families are encouraged to come & bring decorations for the "Winter Wonderland" float.

## **Christmas Parade Float**

Chairmen: Jaiden, Braiden, & Azlyn Barbian

WHEN: Thursday, December 2nd

TIME: Float Judged - 5:30 p.m.

Parade Begins - 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Ash Street

The city of Plainview will host its annual Christmas Parade- "Winter Wonderland." Everyone is invited to ride the float. Children and others riding on floats need to be dropped off outside of the park. No vehicles will be allowed in the park unless they are participating in the parade. Please call Beverly Wall at 774-1040 if you plan to ride on the 4-H float. Candy will be provided. Adults walking beside the float will throw the candy. Please pickup your children at the First Baptist Church parking lot after the parade. **\*Remember to dress warmly!\***

## **Christmas Parade Banners**

WHEN: Thursday, December 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Shelter House at Broadway Park

Fifteen 4-Hers, Intermediates, Senior or Adult leaders are needed to help the Chamber of Commerce with the Christmas Parade "Winter Wonderland." You need to be picked up at the Depot. You will be carrying banners in front of the winning floats. Junior 4-Hers are too young to carry the banners without a parent. Please call Beverly Wall at 774-1040 by Monday, November 29th if you would like to help with the parade. **\*Remember to dress warmly!\***

## **Breakfast with Santa**

Chairman: Callie Davenport

WHEN: Saturday, December 4th

TIME: 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

WHERE: Ollie Liner Center

4-Hers will be helping with the face painting booth. If you would like to help with this event, please call the Extension Office at 291-5270.



## **District Meat Judging Results**

The District Meat Judging Contest was held Thursday, November 18th at Texas Tech University. Awards were presented to the following participants:

**Junior:** Team: 1st - Bryleigh Beyers, Kellin Hart, Rhett Tullis, & Drake Woerner

Individual: 1st - Bryleigh Beyers; 2nd - Drake Woerner; 3rd - Rhett Tullis; 4th - Hadley Molloy;  
5th - Kellin Hart

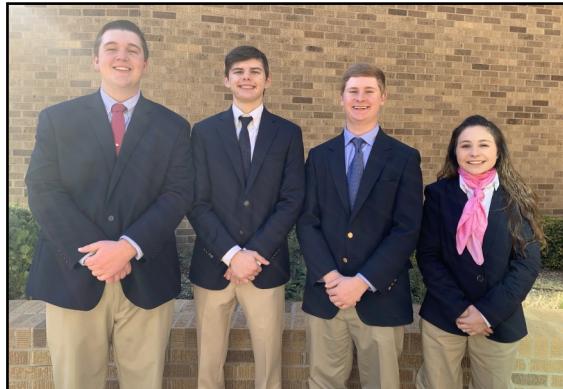
**Intermediate:** Team: 2nd - Justus Curry, Mason Hart, Daphne Moore, & Ella Moore

3rd - Garrison Allen, Shay Mulcock, Ryder Rexrode, & Beau Vinson

Individual: 3rd - Ella Moore; 4th - Ryder Rexrode

**Senior:** Team: 1st - Graden Allen, AnneMarie Metzler, Scott Phillips, & Jacob Williamson

Individual: 1st - Jacob Williamson; 3rd - Graden Allen; 4th - AnneMarie Metzler; 5th - Scott Phillips



## **2022 Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Contest**

Must be turned in to the Hale County Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 29th

### **State Essay Contest**

Subject: "Healthy Soils, Healthy Life"

Junior Ages: 13 and under (Maximum of 300 words)

Senior Ages: 14-18 (Maximum of 500 words)

### **State Poster Contest**

Theme: "Healthy Soils, Healthy Life"

Age: Open to students 12 years and younger

Prizes: First, second and third place winners will be awarded plaques. Additional awards will be presented to state winners.





# 4-H Livestock Projects, Reminders & Results



## Excused Absences for School for Livestock Shows

Parents/Guardians are responsible for sending specific dates of each exhibitor missing school by the deadline by filling out the online form.

<u>Show</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Odessa	Tuesday, December 14th
Hale County Livestock Show	Tuesday, January 4th
Patriot Steer Show	TBA
San Angelo	TBA
Texas Elite Showcase	TBA
San Antonio	TBA
Houston	TBA
Austin	TBA



If no dates are received by the deadline, no excuse letter will be sent to the schools.

## Hale Co. 4-H & FFA Showmanship Clinic for All Species

WHEN: Wednesday, December 29th

TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: Abernathy Ag Farm

Schedule:

9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.	Sheep & Goats
10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.	Swine
11:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.	Cattle
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Rabbits

For more information, contact Andy Hart at 806-291-5270.



## Parent Good Luck Messages

Parents here is your chance to join KKYN, KREW and KZZN and wish your kids "Good Luck" as they get ready to compete in their local stock show!

you will receive:

- mentions during the Good Morning Texas Show broadcasts, along with a :10 Recorded Personal Message from YOU that will be played the week of the stock show

Stock Show Sponsor

10 messages to air Jan 3-16

**Your Investment: \$50**

Client Approval: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Slogan: \_\_\_\_\_



## **Jackpot Schedule**

<b><u>Show</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Show Contact</u></b>
Top O Texas Jr. Livestock Association Swine Show	Dec. 4-5	Clyde Corruth Livestock Pavilion Pampa, TX	Ryan Davis 806-886-8118
Jonesboro FFA Jackpot Lambs, Goats, & Pigs	Dec. 5th	Gatesville Civic Center Gatesville, TX	Beth Gann 972-832-5745
South Plains Showdown Jackpot	Dec. 10-11	Mallet Event Center Levelland, TX	Kirk Clark 806-500-6527  Trent Houchin 806-240-5932
Randall Co. New Year's Classic	Jan. 1-2	Happy State Bank Randall County Events Center Amarillo, TX	JD Ragland 806-463-0245  Jeff Klose 806-282-8195

## **Preparation is Key to a Successful Sheep & Goat Project**

The next 45-60 days will determine your success with your lamb/goat show project. Hopefully, you have had your lamb or goat on feed for awhile and have them well broke and have them on an exercise program. With Christmas break around the corner it is critical to make sure that there are not any **breaks** from the feeding or working program with your lamb and goats for the next 45-60 days to ensure that you finish strong. Most lambs or goats are probably in one of these 3 stages currently: ready to show right now; getting overdone (to fat or stale); or they are green and behind. Most of us likely have lambs in all 3 of these categories if you have very many on feed!

If your lamb or goat are show ready right now than a good exercise program can help you continue to get the muscle shape and expression that you want as well as keep your animal from growing to a heavier than desired weight. If your lamb or goat are skinny and a little behind than it is more important that you continue to push feed and fat to get your lamb up to speed than to exercise and burn off what little muscle, they may have at this stage. If your animal is behind, you probably want to consider increasing the amount of energy and fat that you are feeding instead of just increasing the amount of feed. If your animal is too fat or becoming stale than tracking your animal with a heavier exercise regimen is probably recommended.

Also, be sure to work with your animals daily to make sure that you and your livestock are well prepared to endure your showing time in the showring. I highly recommend at minimum to get each of your lambs and goats out of their pens several times a week and lead them to a different area and practice setting their feet and bracing them so that both you and your animal are comfortable with each other and prepared for success! Remember winning does not come easy and hard work creates success. Let's finish this year strong!

***If you have any questions or need any assistance with your livestock projects, including feeding, showing, or medicating, please contact Andy Hart at 806-291-5270.***



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If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access provided, please contact Audra Guess, Andy Hart, or Shawnte Clawson at the Hale County Extension Office at least two weeks prior to the program or event.

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# December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 4:30 p.m.-Decorate Christmas Parade Float	2 3:30 p.m.-Abernathy Clover Kids 6:00 p.m.-Christmas Parade	3	4 8:30 a.m.-Breakfast with Santa
5	6 County Roundup	7	8 4:30 p.m.-Robert's Tree House Tour	9	10 RSVP due for Sketching with a Twist	11 District Food Show, FCH Quiz Bowl, Livestock Quiz Bowl
12	13 6:00 p.m.-Horse, Plainview Clover Kids, Plainview	14 4:30 p.m.-An Evening with 4-H Excused Absences for Odessa due	15 4:30 p.m.-Plainview Parks Department Tour	16 5:30 p.m.-Cotton Center 6:30 p.m.-Abernathy	17	18
19	20	21 9:00 a.m.-Sketching with a Twist	22	23 Office Closed	24 Office Closed	25
26	27	28	29 9:00 a.m.-Showmanship Clinic	30	31	
						