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HALE COUNTY 4-H
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December 2022

Gold Star Banquet

The 65th Annual Gold Star Banquet was held Monday, November 21st 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 2021-2022 Gold Star recipients were **Sterling Berry** and **Hagen Pate**, and the Distinguished Leader was **Derrick and Leigha Pate**.



Texas 4-H President Duties & Texas 4-H Leadership Conference

On Thanksgiving, Graden Allen, Texas 4-H President, rode the Houston Livestock Show float at the Houston Thanksgiving Day parade.

Berkley Carver and Landry Miller attended the Texas 4-H Leadership Conference in Washington, DC for winning state record book judging.



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JOIN THE CLUB

Abernathy 4-H Clover Kids Club

WHEN: Thursday, December 1st at 3:30 p.m.
WHERE: Abernathy Elementary School
CLUB MANAGERS: Ginger Moore & Brandi Holder

Abernathy 4-H Club

WHEN: Sunday, December 18th at 6:30 p.m.
WHERE: Abernathy Elementary School
CLUB MANAGERS: Stephanie Allen & Carolyn Curry

Cotton Center 4-H Club

WHEN: Thursday, December 1st at 7:00 p.m.
WHERE: First Baptist Church
CLUB MANAGER: Cynthia Walden

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

WHEN: Monday, December 12th at 6:00 p.m.
WHERE: Plainview Roller Rink
WHAT: Christmas Party-Skating & Pizza
CLUB MANAGERS:
Horse: Kelley Bozeman, Sherri Cheyne,
& Lisa Wright
Plainview Clover Kids: Beverly Wall
Plainview: Leigha Pate

Every family is asked to bring \$5.00 which will be donated to Snack Pak 4 Kids.

Petersburg 4-H Project Club

WHEN: Monday, December 5th at 6:30 p.m.
WHERE: Petersburg 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!****

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****If you have anything for next month's newsletter, please get it to the office by Wednesday, December 14th by 4:00 p.m.!****

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♦ ♦ TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER ♦ ♦

Upcoming Contests **District Food Show**

DISTRICT CONTEST: Saturday, December 3rd at Sundown ISD
LEADER: Audra Guess

District FCH Quiz Bowl (formerly Nutrition Quiz Bowl)

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District Livestock Quiz Bowl

PRACTICE: Monday - Jr. & Int. at 3:45 p.m. at Abernathy Elementary School Room 25
Tuesday - Sr. at 4:30 p.m. at Andy Hart's House
DISTRICT CONTEST: Friday, December 9th at 4:30 p.m. at Capitol Elementary in Levelland
LEADER: Andy Hart

For more information on quiz bowls: <https://youtu.be/6F8vIXiSGxM>

District Consumer Decision Making (CDM)

PRACTICE: Abernathy - Tuesdays at 3:45 p.m. at Abernathy Elementary School Cafeteria
Plainview - Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. at the County Extension Office
DISTRICT CONTEST: Jr. & Int. - Saturday, December 10th at 8:30 a.m. at Lubbock Co. Office
Sr. - Monday, December 12th at 5:30 p.m. at Lubbock Co. Office
LEADER: Tristyn Galindo

For more information on Consumer Education: <https://youtu.be/MDZoQnNpifw>

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

Christmas Candy

Chairmen: Kolt & Kleat Barrett

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

WHERE: Garland Street Church of Christ

4-Hers and Clover Kids will be making Christmas candy to take home as well as donate. For more information, contact Beverly Wall at 774-1040.

4-H Scholarship Opportunity Due Dates

An email will be sent out with more specific information.

If you would like to have your scholarship edited by Bailee Wright (District 4-H Specialist) and agents, please email it to her by Sunday, January 1st (bailee.wright@ag.tamu.edu).

Final Scholarship Application due online by **Wednesday, February 15th**. If you have any questions contact Audra Guess at 291-5270.

District Meat Judging Results

The District Meat Judging Contest was held Monday, November 7th at Texas Tech University. Awards were presented to the following participants:

Junior: Team: 1st - Kleigh Keys, Hadley Molloy, Berklee Schniers, & Drake Woerner
3rd - Bowen Maxwell, Aiden Rusher, & Preslee Thornton
5th - Carter Curry, Layken Curry, & Leon Lopez
Individual: 1st - Berklee Schniers; 3rd - Kleigh Keys; 4th - Preslee Thornton

Intermediate: Team: 1st - Bryleigh Beyers, Jessie Chisum, Daphne Moore, & Ella Moore
4th - Scotlann Bickel, Doc Chisum, & Beau Vinson
Individual: 1st - Bryleigh Beyers; 4th - Daphne Moore; 5th - Kellin Hart

Senior: Team: 1st - Graden Allen, Mason Hart, Scott Phillips, & Jacob Williamson
Team: 2nd - Laine Mulcock, Ryder Rexrode, & Wesley Rose
Individual: 1st - Graden Allen; 4th - Jacob Williamson; 5th - Scott Phillips

District Food Challenge Results

The District Food Challenge competition was held Tuesday, November 8th in Levelland. Hale County had 12 teams and 42 members compete. Congratulations to all who participated!

Junior: Main Dish 1 - 1st - BerkLea Bouma, Ellie Bouma, Piper Lambert, & Jillian Watkins
Main Dish 2 - 3rd - Bow Holder, Brody Mathis, Aiden Rusher, & Sawyer Snyder
Appetizer 1 - 1st - Carter Curry, Layken Curry, Hadley Molloy, & Reed (Hawkins) Stanton
Appetizer 2 - 3rd - Brystol Boedeker, Alexandra Johnston, & Scarlett Morales

Senior: Side Dish - 2nd - Lily Craig, Jamie Shadden, & Rachel Walden (advanced to State)

Chairmen: Ryan & Brady Baker

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12TH ANNUAL FAMILY TROUT DAY AT CAUDLE LAKE



**SATURDAY
DECEMBER 3, 2022
8:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.**

**CAUDLE LAKE PARK
HALE CENTER, TEXAS**

IH 27 NORTH SERVICE ROAD
JUST INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS

FREE FAMILY EVENT

PRIZES TO BE AWARDED TO THE INDIVIDUALS
THAT CATCH THE MOST AND LARGEST TROUT
& DOOR PRIZES FOR KIDS!!

No Fishing License is Required on December 3, 2022 from 7am - 7pm

**FREE HOT COCOA & COFFEE,
HOTDOGS & DRINKS**

This Day Made Possible by Generous Donations & Fundraising Events



4-H Livestock Projects, Reminders & Results



Excused Absences for School for Livestock Shows & Contests

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	ASAP
Local Shows	Wednesday, January 4th
Hale County Livestock Show	Wednesday, January 4th
Ft. Worth	Monday, January 16th
San Angelo	Monday, January 23rd
Texas Elite Showcase	Monday, January 23rd
San Antonio	Monday, January 23rd
Houston	Monday, February 13th
Austin	Monday, February 20th



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

**HALE COUNTY 4-H AND
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SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC**



Bring your livestock projects for hands on experience

Thursday, December 22, 2022

Sheep and Goats 9:00am to 10:00am
Cattle 10:00am to 11:00am
Swine 11:00am to 12:00pm
Rabbits 12:00pm to 1:00pm

***Location: Abernathy Ag Farm 1612 E. Service Rd.
Abernathy, TX***

Contact Andy Hart for more Information 806-291-5270

Jackpot Schedule

<u>Show</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Show Contact</u>
Pride of the Panhandle Sheep & Goat Show	Dec. 3	1810 CR 116 Tulia, TX	Kevin Goss 806-336-3018
Whatever It Takes Pig Jackpot	Dec. 3	South Plains Fair Grounds Lubbock, TX	Will Winter 806-239-5859
South Plains Showdown Jackpot	Dec. 9-10	Mallet Event Center Levelland, TX	Kirk Clark 806-500-6527
Russell Johnson Memorial Swine Jackpot	Dec. 10-11	Swisher Co. Show Barns Tulia, TX	Cody Gruhlkey 806-292-6327

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.

2023 Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Contest

Must be turned in to the Hale County Soil and Water Conservation District by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 10th

State Essay Contest

Subject: "One Water"

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

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

State Poster Contest

Theme: "One Water"

Age: Open to Kindergarten to 2nd Grade or 3rd Grade to 6th Grade

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

Texas Coop Power Monthly Photography Contest

Chairmen: Hagen & Colson Pate

Hale County 4-Hers and Clover Kids are encouraged to submit their photographs in the monthly categories.

Due December 10th - Riding the River

Due January 10th - Taking Flight

Enter online at TexasCoopPower.com/contests

Christmas Parade Float

Chairman: Aiden Rusher

WHEN: Thursday, December 1st

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

Parade Begins - 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: Broadway Street

The city of Plainview will host its annual Christmas Parade- "Music of Christmas." 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. Please pickup your children at the First Baptist Church parking lot after the parade.

Christmas Parade Banners

WHEN: Thursday, December 1st 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 "Music of Christmas." 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 28th if you would like to help with the parade.

Breakfast with Santa

Chairmen: Jaiden, Braiden, & Azlyn Barbian

WHEN: Saturday, December 3rd

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

WHERE: Ollie Liner Center

4-Hers will be helping with the balloon animal booth. If you would like to help with this event, please call the Extension Office at 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, Shawnte Clawson, or Tristyn Galindo at the Hale County Extension Office at least two weeks prior to the program or event.

December 2022

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

				1 - 3:30 p.m.-Abernathy Clover Kids - 5:30 p.m.-Plainview Parade - 7:00 p.m.-Cotton Center	2	3 D. Food Show & FCH Quiz Bowl - 8:30 a.m.-Breakfast with Santa
4	5 - 3:45 p.m.-Livestock Quiz Bowl (Jr./Int.) - 6:30 p.m.-Petersburg	6 - 3:45 p.m.-CDM in Abernathy - 4:30 p.m.-Livestock Quiz Bowl (Sr.) - 6:00 p.m.-CDM in Plainview	7 - 4:30 p.m.-Jewelry Sorting at Broadway Treasures	8	9 D. Livestock Quiz Bowl	10 D. CDM (Jr./Int.)
11	12 - 6:00 p.m.-Plainview Clover Kids, Plainview, Horse D. CDM (Sr.)	13	14	15 - 4:30 p.m.-Christmas Candy	16	17
18 - 6:30 p.m.-Abernathy	19	20	21	22 - Showmanship Clinic	23 Office Closed	24 
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