

Bandera County 4-H Clover Clips

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County Stock Show

Concession Stand Fundraiser

Thank you to the clubs and volunteers who have signed up to work at the Concession Stand Fundraiser during the county stock show.

However, we still need more volunteers to help make this year successful. If you can volunteer 2 hours of your time, it will be greatly appreciated. See the enclosed Concession Stand Work Schedule. Please contact Ms. Laura at 830-796-7755 or by email at lklinksiek@ag.tamu.edu to sign up.

COUNTY STOCK SHOW AUCTION THANK YOU LIST

The County Stock Show Auction Buyers Thank You List will be published in the Feb. newsletter. We appreciate the numerous calls we receive from families wanting this information, but as soon as we receive it from the Stock Show board, we will pass the info on to you.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Ever had an interest in learning how to evaluate cattle, lambs, goats and pigs? If so, then livestock judging may be for you!

Intermediate and senior 4-H members will also learn how to organize and deliver a set of reasons. Livestock judging is a lot of fun and the skills you learn will last a lifetime.

If you'd like to give it a try, please contact Mr. Womble by Jan. 31st at 830-796-7755 or by email at s-womble@tamu.edu

A team orientation meeting will be held in February.

4-H PROJECT COMPLETION FORMS

All 4-H'ers participating in the county stock show are required to complete a 4-H Project Completion Form to get their county stock show auction check. See enclosed form in this newsletter.

Bandera County Jr. Livestock Show 2012 Rulebook Now Available Online!

The 2012 County Stock Show rulebook is now available online and ready to be printed off! To get your copy from our website select "Publications" and then "Bandera County Jr. Livestock Show (BCJLS)"

BANDERA COUNTY WEBSITE IS IMPROVING TO SERVE YOU BETTER.

Be sure to check out some of the new features at our county website. Many more are on their way!

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<http://bandera-tx.tamu.edu>

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I Pledge:

my Head to clearer thinking,
my Heart to greater loyalty,
my Hands to larger service,
and my Health to better living
for my club, my community,
my country, and my world.

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Bandera County 4-H
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ANIMAL PROJECT MEETINGS

* Poultry, Jan 2nd—6:00 p.m.

Community Service event and meeting follows at 6:30 p.m. Meeting will discuss the poultry show rules, and showmanship tips.

Attention broiler and turkey exhibitors you will need to provide feed and feed & water containers at the livestock show. Be sure to bring a 1lb coffee can for your feed and one for your water.

PLANT ID TEAM

If you have an interest in joining the Plant ID Team, please contact the Extension Office by Jan. 31st to sign up. Youth will learn about range-land, pasture land, and natural resources.

A team orientation meeting will be organized to discuss goals and develop a practice schedule.

Horse Project News

Horse Project Meeting- Jan. 5th 6:30 p.m.
Mansfield Park Rec Center.

Horse Judging Practice in January will be held at
the Bandera High School Ag Shop.

Ft. Worth Contest (Sr. Team Only)—Feb. 4th
SALE & District Horse Judging Contest—Feb. 16th

SAN ANTONIO STOCK SHOW & RODEO

SCHOOL TOUR GUIDES

February 17, 2012

Thank you for those of you who signed up. Watch your mailbox for a letter, release waiver, and instructions for our School Tour Day at the San Antonio Stock Show.

Spring Food Fair Cake Decorating Class Coming in February

If you signed up for the Cake Decorating Class at the 4-H Bash in September, watch your newsletter, email notification and Facebook page for a class to be held in February. Mrs. Lisa White will be the class instructor.

Tour to Scotland and Ireland for 4-H Youth

July 3-July 12, 2013

See Enclosed Tour Itinerary and flyer
for more information.

Texas 4-H Scholarships

Attention Senior 4-H'ers, the Texas 4-H Scholarship application, instructions, examples are available at our office and online at our website. From our website, go to "Publications" and Scholarships" to download the application and information.

Scholarship applications are due to the Extension Office on February 3rd.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Houston Livestock Show will award five students a \$4,000 two-year scholarship to pursue an associates degree in the field of Ag. Technology, diesel/automotive engines, HVAC; power systems (electric or hydraulic) or welding.

Application and information available at
www.hlsr.com

Application deadline is February 13, 2012

Howdy Texas 4-Hers!

Your Texas 4-H State Council would first like to say how excited and honored we are to be serving you this year. One of the biggest projects we are working on is Texas 4-H Roundup 2012! We have so many fun and exciting surprises in store this year. Our goal as your 4-H State Council is to serve you, create new experiences, and make the best better. Because 4-H is growing and creating new experiences this year, especially in the area of State Roundup we as a council created a motto we would like to share with you. "A new team, a new experience... it's history in the making!" As 4-Hers across Texas you create and inspire those new experiences, helping to make history every day. Texas 4-H Roundup will be June 11- 15, 2012 at Texas Tech University. This is a new and adventurous opportunity in which both Senior and Intermediate 4-Hers are invited to participate. Whether it is through a qualifying event for Seniors, Invitational workshops for all ages or just the other fun events Roundup is going to be great this year! We have a couple of exciting updates for you.... First, Aaron Watson will be performing at Roundup this year on Thursday night so mark it on your calendars. Also, the annual trade show will be coming to Roundup with all of its former goodies and then some.

Look for more updates on the 4-H State Council and Roundup 2012 right here or online via our Facebook page 2012 Texas 4-H Roundup: <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/2012-Texas-4-H-Roundup/315843191775648> and the Teas 4-H Roundup website: <http://texas4-h.tamu/youth/roundup/index.php>.

**BANDERA COUNTY JR. LIVESTOCK SHOW
CONCESSION STAND—WORK SCHEDULE
THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2012**

TIME	PROJECT	ADULT	4-H MEMBER
6:00 am– 8:00 am	SHOTGUN		
8:00 am – 10:00 am	SHOTGUN		
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	SHOTGUN		
12:00 pm– 2:00 pm	SHOTGUN		
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	SWINE		
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	SWINE		
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	SWINE		
CLEAN UP			

**CONCESSION STAND—WORK SCHEDULE
FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2012**

TIME	PROJECT	ADULT	4-H MEMBER
6:00 am – 8:00 am	OPEN—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED		
8:00 am – 10:00 am	OPEN—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED		
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	REC/LEADERSHIP		
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	REC/LEADERSHIP		
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	REC/LEADERSHIP		
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	REC/LEADERSHIP		
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	REC/LEADERSHIP		
Clean Up			

**CONCESSION STAND—WORK SCHEDULE
SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2012**

TIME	PROJECT	ADULT	4-H MEMBER
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	OPEN - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED		
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	HORSE		
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	OSBOURN FAMILY		
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	OPEN - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED		
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	OPEN - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED		
Clean Up			

4-H Livestock Project News January 2012

Good luck to all exhibitors competing at the County Show, Kerrville and Fort Worth later this month!

Clip Days

When: January 9-10th

Where: County Show Barn

Time: 3:30-7:30 p.m.

If you need help getting your animal project clipped, please call the Extension Office to schedule a day and time.

Lost Tags

If your animal project has lost a county or State Validation tag, be sure to contact the Extension Office or your respective AST immediately to secure a replacement.

Major Show Exhibitors

Remember to book hotel rooms. They have tendency to fill up quick so don't wait until the last minute. You will be receiving an Exhibitors letter in January with important updates and reminders as well as a list of other exhibitors from the county for you to coordinate travel arrangements with. If you have specific questions, please call.

Livestock Show Links

Kerrville - www.hcdjls.org

Ft. Worth - www.fwssr.com

San Antonio - www.sarodeo.com

San Angelo - www.sanangelorodeo.com

Houston - www.hlsr.com

Austin - www.staroftexas.org

Project Visits

If you need help with your animal projects or have questions, I'll be glad to assist you. Please call the Extension Office to schedule an appointment. Also, in the coming months I'll be traveling to several breeders looking at show cattle prospects. If you would like for me to help you find a calf, let me know.

Livestock Equipment

Clippers, scales and other livestock equipment are available for check out from the Extension Office for a small fee. Please call in advance to reserve equipment.

School Excuses

Remember, it is your responsibility to contact the Extension Office in advance for school excuses. We need at least 10 days notice. You will be eligible for excuses competing through any 4-H project or activity provided you are passing all your classes. As always, if you know you will miss school, make sure to alert your teachers and get assignments early if possible.

Character Education

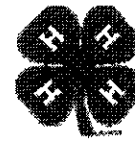
What exactly is character education? Many times we hear people reference it but seldom do we stop and think about the true meaning. In my opinion, character defines the combination of qualities or features that distinguishes one person, group, or thing from another. Character skills can be developed through day to day behavior. A person's character is also demonstrated by how they act. As I think about the six pillars of character and their relationship to animal projects, the following comes to mind.

- * Trustworthiness - animals depend on caretakers
- * Respect - treats and handles animals correctly
- * Responsibility - feeds and waters animal daily (even on busy, difficult days)
- * Fairness - feeds only approved rations and uses only approved drugs
- * Caring - keeps the stall and the barn clean
- * Citizenship - accepts winning or losing with grace, helps others at the show

I would encourage each of you to really think about the six pillars of character and how they not only relate to your animal projects but life in general.



**Tour to Scotland and Ireland for 4-H youth
and adults that would like to attend!
Youth must be 15 at the time of travel if
traveling without parent!**



TOUR FEE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip airfare
- Full European breakfast daily
- Dinner daily
- Full-time services of a professional Tour Director
- Guided sightseeing tours and city walks as per itinerary
- Visits to select attractions as per itinerary
- Overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms

Group Information

- Tour Center ID: Bading-5255
- Departing From: Dallas
- Group Leader: Charla
- Departing From: Dallas
- Departing: July 3, 2013
- Returning: July 12, 2013
- Tour Fee increases on March 1, 2012

YOU CAN SIGN UP AT:

<http://www.explorica.com/Bading-5255>

Student Enrollment Instructions

Go to [explorica.com](http://www.explorica.com) and, under "STUDENTS," select "Sign Up" to begin.

1. Enter your Tour Center ID Bading-5255 and click "go."
2. Click "**sign up now**" and fill out the application.
3. Click "**next**" and fill out Emergency Contact Information.
4. Review your selections and enter your Voucher Code* if you have one. By default, you're signed up for Explorica's strongly recommended Travel Protection Plan; if you wish to remove the coverage, select "change selections." For details on the Travel Protection Plan, go to [explorica.com/protect](http://www.explorica.com/protect) for more information. When finished, click "**accept selections**" to continue.
5. Choose a payment plan that is most convenient for you. Your first payment can be made using Visa, Mastercard or electronic check. When you select "**next**," you'll have the opportunity to review all of your information and selections before confirming payment.

Scotland & Ireland

10 Days: Edinburgh, Highlands, Glasgow, Belfast, Dublin

Departure Date: 7/3/13

Tour Code: Bading-5255

Voucher Code: fallplan100



Tour Itinerary

July 3 – July 12, 2013

Day 1 Start Tour

Day 2 Hello Edinburgh

- Meet your Tour Director and check into hotel
- Edinburgh City Walk
- Charlotte Square, Alexander Graham Bell's home, Robert Louis Stevenson's home, Robert Burns Monument

Day 3 Edinburgh Landmarks

- Edinburgh Guided Sightseeing Tour
- Royal Mile, Old Town, Sir Walter Scott Monument, Edinburgh Castle
- Edinburgh guided ghost tour

Day 4 Edinburgh--Highlands

- Travel to Highlands via the Trossachs
- Stirling Castle visit

Day 5 Glencoe and Loch Ness

- Glencoe and Loch Ness Excursion
- Loch Ness Monster Exhibition visit, Culloden Moor

Day 6 Highlands--Glasgow

- Travel to Glasgow via Loch Lomond
- Glasgow City Walk
- Strathclyde University, City Chambers, George Square

Day 7 Glasgow--Belfast

- Ferry to Belfast
- Travel Along the Antrim Coast
- Giant's Causeway Excursion

Day 8 Belfast--Dublin

- Belfast Guided Sightseeing Tour
- Travel to Dublin
- Dublin city walk
- O'Connell Street
- Parnell Square
- Henry Street

Day 9 Dublin Landmarks

- Dublin Guided Sightseeing Tour
- Phoenix Park, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Trinity College Book of Kells visit
- Optional Irish Folklore Evening \$60
- Traditional Public House Dinner

Day 10 End Tour

Tour fee (increases 12/1/11)	\$2,544
Membership Fee	\$95
Airport fees, taxes & fuel surcharges (Subject to Change)	\$541
Weekend Supplement (Returning)	\$35
Travel Protection Plan Plus	\$180
Adult Fees	
Adult Supplement	\$125
Twin Room Upgrade	\$240
Total Cost to Students	\$3,395
Total Cost to Adults	\$3,760