



# Bandera County 4-H Clover Clips

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## **HOT OFF THE PRESS**

**NOVEMBER 2013**

### The Results are in.....Congratulations 2013-14 Club Officers

#### Medina

President- Hailey Morgan  
Vice President-Amanda Turner  
Secretary/Treasurer-Ashlyn Turner  
Reporter-Kaila Morgan  
Council Delegate-Jacelyn Barton  
**Meetings are the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Medina Community Library at 7pm**

#### Pioneer 4-H

President-Kendall Gooding  
Vice President-Reese Mazurek  
Secretary-Austin Wilson  
Treasurer-Kyle Wilson  
Council Delegate-Courtney Flach  
**Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Mansfield Park Rec Center at 7pm**

#### Rifle

President-Meghan McComas  
Vice President-Jordan Edward  
Secretary-Rien Mazurek  
Treasurer-Reese Mazurek  
Council Delegate-Caleb Gunnells  
**Meetings and team practice held every Wednesday at the Mansfield Park Showbarn at 6pm**

#### 4-H Booster Club

President-Denny Jenkins  
Vice President-Brad Dibrell  
Secretary-Janine Barker  
Treasurer-Melinda Flach  
**Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Extension Office at 7pm**

#### Lakehills

President-Jenny Watson  
1st Vice President-David Beedle  
2nd Vice President-Ruth Beedle  
Secretary-Anna Beedle  
Council Delegate-Dana Zavorka  
Historian-Caleb Pistone  
**Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Lakehills Civic Center at 7pm**

#### Pipe Creek

President-Cole Schroeder  
1st Vice President-Walker Starnes  
2nd Vice President-Colton Klinksiek  
3rd Vice President-Emily Dibrell  
Secretary-Trey Schwarz  
Treasurer-Luke Bitzkie  
Reporter-Aaron Love  
Health/Safety Officer-Kendra Schwarz  
Council Delegate-Kate Alexander  
Parliamentarian-JP Thane  
**Meetings are the 4th Wednesday of each month at the Pipe Creek Community Center at 7pm**

#### Horse

President-Sarah Butler  
Vice President-Cheyenne Jenkins  
2nd Vice President-Kate Martin  
Secretary-Cheyenne Van Vleet  
Treasurer-Rayni Sandidge  
Reporter-Sam Shaps  
Council Delegate-Fawn & Miranda Schott  
Photographer-Nikki Sandidge  
Parliamentarian-Hannah Buettner  
**Meetings are the 1st Thurs of each month (Fall) Winter/Spring-1st Tues of each month at the Showbarn Conference Room at 6:30 pm**

#### EVENTS HAPPENING

- ⇒ Medina 4-H Club  
Nov. 5 - 7pm  
Medina Library
- ⇒ Shotgun Team Mtg  
No. 6 - 7pm  
Rec Center
- ⇒ Horse Project Mtg  
Nov. 7 - 6:30pm  
Extension Office
- ⇒ Rabbit Project Mtg  
Nov. 13 - 7pm  
Extension Office
- ⇒ Pioneer 4-H  
Nov. 14 - 7pm  
Rec Center
- ⇒ Foods Project Mtg  
Nov. 20 - 5:30 pm  
Medina Library
- ⇒ Pipe Creek 4-H  
Nov. 20 - 7pm  
Pipe Creek  
Community Center
- ⇒ Lakehills 4-H  
Nov. 21—7pm  
Lakehills Civic Center

Extension Office Closed  
Monday, Nov. 11th  
Veterans Day Holiday

#### **Our Office Hours**

Monday—Friday  
8am - 12noon  
1pm - 5pm  
Closed 12noon - 1pm

**CLUB/PROJECT MEETING CALENDAR  
NOVEMBER 2013**

**Photography Project**

Date: November 3rd  
Time: 1:00 p.m.  
Location: Showbarn Conference Room  
For more information:  
Laurie Van Dyne, Project Leader  
Phone: 210-218-2345

**Recreation/Leadership**

Date: November 2nd  
Time: 3:00 pm  
Location: Meet at the Barrel House, Pipe Creek  
Topics: Hunt for Fossils and Dinosaur Footprints in Blanco, Texas.  
For more information:  
Dan Zavorka  
Phone: 830-688-0122  
Larry Watson  
Phone: 210-695-0029

**Medina Club**

Date: November 5th  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Medina Community Library  
For more information:  
Kathryn & Rowdy Johnson, Club Manager  
Phone: 325-792-8355  
Email: katykayjohnson@yahoo.com

**Medina Clay Target/Bandera 4-H  
Shotgun**

Date: November 6th  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Showbarn Conference Room/Rec Center  
For more information:  
Russell Kuykendall, Project Leader  
Phone: 210-215-8899  
Email: rccekuyk4@txun.net

**Poultry Project**

Date: November 5th  
Time: 6:30 p.m.  
Location: Showbarn Conference Room  
For more information:  
Brad Dibrell, Project Leader  
Phone: 830-535-6240  
Email: jdibrell1@live.com

**Rabbit Project**

Date: November 13th  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Showbarn Conference Room  
For more information:  
Bill & Lisa Alexander, Project Leaders  
Phone: 830-612-2202  
Email: lmalex@hughes.net

**Horse Project**

Date: November 7th  
Time: 6:30 p.m.  
Location: Showbarn Conference Room  
For more information:  
Dina Buettner, Project Leader  
Phone: 830-796-1363  
Email: buettner\_4@yahoo.com

**Pioneer 4-H**

Date: November 14th  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Mansfield Park Rec Center  
Topics: Members will pack and wrap boxes of small items for Christmas to be donated to the impoverished children as part of Operation Christmas Child.  
For more information:  
Julie Meier, Club Manager  
Phone: 830-796-1478  
Email: jmeier862@aol.com

**Foods Project**

Date: November 20th  
Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Location: Medina Community Library  
For more information:  
Melissa Zirkel  
Phone: 830-796-4646  
Email: mel@mrszirkel.com

**Pipe Creek Club**

Date: November 20, 2013  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Pipe Creek Community Center  
For more information:  
Lee Ann Schwarz, Club Manager  
Phone: 210-695-3411  
Email: laschwarz@txun.net

**Lakehills Club**

Date: November 21st  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Location: Lakehills Civic Center  
For more information:  
Kim Watson, Club Manager  
Phone: 210-695-0028  
Email: Kim@poorfarm.com

## LIVESTOCK CORNER NEWS

By Sam Womble, CEA, Ag/NR



### REMINDERS

#### November 23

County and Major Show Barrow Validation  
8-11 a.m. Mansfield Park

#### November 25

County and Major Show Barrow Validation  
4-6 p.m. Mansfield Park

#### November 25

County Show Broilers Arrive

#### December 2

County Stock Show Entry Deadline-5pm

#### December 7

Rabbit Validation  
8-10 a.m. Mansfield Park

#### January 9-11, 2014

Bandera County Jr. Livestock Show

**County Stock Show Rulebooks are  
available at the Extension Office!**

#### Major Show Barrow Validation

We will state validate barrows on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8-11 a.m. and again on Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m. at Mansfield Park. Exhibitors and parents are asked to attend to complete necessary paperwork. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Extension Office.

#### Major Show Sign up

Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m.  
Extension Office

Important: If you state validated livestock projects or caught a calf in the calf scramble, you will need to attend and complete entries for major shows. You will also need your quality counts verification number.

#### Major Livestock Show Links

Ft. Worth [www.fwssr.com](http://www.fwssr.com)  
San Antonio [www.sarodeo.com](http://www.sarodeo.com)  
San Angelo [www.sanangelorodeo.com](http://www.sanangelorodeo.com)  
Austin [www.staroftexas.org](http://www.staroftexas.org)  
Houston [www.rodeohouston.com](http://www.rodeohouston.com)

#### Livestock Project Workshops

Below are three workshops planned for the coming months. I would strongly encourage you to take advantage of these as appropriate. For the lamb, goat, and cattle sessions, exhibitors are welcome to bring their projects.

- Swine:

Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. Topics covered will include managing weight, exercising, show preparations and showmanship.

- Sheep/Goats:

Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. Topics covered will include monitoring condition, exercising, fitting and showmanship.

- Cattle:

Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. Topics covered will include final feeding, hair care and showmanship.

#### Quality Counts Verification - FINAL NOTICE

This is your FINAL NOTICE to get certified through quality counts prior to Major Show Sign up. If you do not meet this requirement, you will not be able to enter any Texas Major Livestock Show! Don't come to Major Show Sign up without your verification number. Visit <http://qualitycounts.tamu.edu/> or contact the Extension Office for more information.

#### Coastal Bend Classic

Looking for a great learning opportunity as well as a chance to sharpen your showmanship skills? Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Materials can be downloaded from the District 11 4-H website at <http://d114-h.tamu.edu>. Look for a Coastal Bend Classic in the Events and Contest menu to get registered. Training topics will include facilities, feeding and nutrition, hoof trimming, animal health, handling and transportation, fitting and show preparations, showmanship and quality assurance. There will be a \$15 participation fee in advance or \$20 on site. Parents attend for free. The first 100 registered will receive a free t-shirt. Door prizes will be given at the clinics and awards will be presented during the show. Presenters and judges include Eric Drager, Mark Morris, Jeff Ripley, Keith Staggs, Michael Heaton and Dr. Billy Zanolini.

#### 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 and alert your teachers and get assignments early if possible.

## LIVESTOCK PROJECT REMINDERS

**Show Cattle** - steers should be on a finishing ration (~50% corn) consuming somewhere around 2% of their body weight a day. For example, if your steer weighs 1,100 he should be eating around 22 pounds a day. Heifers should be consuming around 1.5% a day. Keep in mind these are guidelines and each individual project is different. Steers and heifers both need a good high quality supply of roughage in their diet along with plenty of clean water. I've noticed several people have fly problems. Keep your pens clean and carry manure way away from your pens. From a health standpoint, you should be rotating wormers every 100 days as well as checking for lice and ticks. From a bio-security standpoint, if you're hauling to shows regularly remember to disinfect your equipment, trailer, etc.

**Hogs** - make sure that your pens are safe, no sharp edges or corners that a pig could cut or injure itself on. With cool nights and relatively warm days, pigs can have a tendency to get sick. Keep some antibiotics on hand with clean needles and syringes. If you make any changes to their diet, do it slowly over the course of a few days. Pigs should be eating a 16-18% protein ration. If your pig is hard muscled, lower the protein and consider adding liquid fat. If your pig needs more body, add steam rolled oats or beet pulp to the ration. You should be worming your pigs every 30 days. Fresh, clean water is a must and needs to be available at all times. If you have visitors, ask them not to get into your pig pens. If someone absolutely needs to, consider a foot bath or invest in some plastic boots to avoid possible spread of disease.

**Lambs and Goats** - exhibitors should consider weighing their projects occasionally to get idea of where you are at. Scales are available at the Extension Office. Be sure and monitor condition on lambs and goats. Don't wait until January to begin thinking about an exercise program. From a feeding standpoint, lambs and goats should be eating between 3-4% of their body weight. Remember, all animal projects are different and there is not an universal program that will work for every lamb and goat. Spend some quality time working on bracing and leading lambs and goats. When you tie them up, always have their head up. Keep a fresh supply of water available at all times. You should be worming your projects every month and keeping their feet trimmed.

If you have questions or need help, feel free to contact myself or your respective project leader.



Preparing his team and going over the contest rules, Coach Sam Womble at the Heart of Texas Livestock Judging contest.

1st place Senior High Individual, Courtney Flach, State Fair of Texas Livestock Judging contest.





**Horse Project Ranch Sorting Event  
November 16th—2pm, Mansfield Park Arena**

Ridin the River Cowboy Fellowship and the Bandera 4-H Horse Project will present Ranch Sorting at Mansfield Park, November 16th at 2pm. The fee for practice is \$10 and the entrance fee for the jackpot is a non-perishable food item which we will be donated to Helping Hands.

**Junior Leadership Camp**

Texas 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood  
Open to: 9-14 yr old 4-Hmembers  
Dates: November 8-10  
Online registration and information:  
<http://texas-4hcenter.tamu.edu>



**Beekeeping Essay Contest—2014**

Open to all 4-H'ers  
This year's theme: Beekeeping in Colonial Times  
For a list of rules and guidelines:  
[http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/project\\_entomology/beekeeping](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/project_entomology/beekeeping)



**Texas 4-H Photography Rules and Guidelines**

This year's theme: What's You Why?  
For more information:  
<http://bandera.agrilife.org/files/2011/09/2013-14-Texas-4-H-Contest-Rules-and-Guidelines.pdf>

**Re-Fashion Retreat**

Texas 4-H Conference Center, Brownwood  
December 13-15, 2013  
Cost: \$115 (lodging, 4 meals)  
Open to all 4-H members 8 & up (and Adult Chaperones)  
For more information and registration:  
<http://texas4-hcenter.tamu.edu>



**San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo**

Food Challenge Contest  
Contest Date: Thursday, February 6th  
Open to: Senior age (14-18) 4-H Members  
Entry Fee: TBA



If you are interested in participating in this contest or would like to volunteer to help lead a team or individuals, please contact Sissie Sandidge, 4-H Program Assistant at 830-796-7755 by November 1st.

**San Antonio Stock Show School Tour Guides**

If you are interested in being a part of the 2014 Bandera 4-H SALE School Tour Guide team, please contact Ms. Sissie at 830-796-7755 or [Sissie.sandidge@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:Sissie.sandidge@ag.tamu.edu)  
4-H'ers must be in 8th grade thru 12th grade to participate.

**Recipe Rally—Let's Get Cookin**

Open to: Intermediate & Senior 4-H members (11-18 yrs old)  
Entry may be as a team or individual  
Theme for 2014: Breakfast  
For more information:  
[http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/healthy\\_lifestyles](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/healthy_lifestyles)

**Virtual Volunteer Conference**

Open to: Volunteer Leaders  
Virtual Trainings: Thursday, Nov. 7th and Tuesday, Nov. 12th  
For more information:  
[http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/volunteer\\_conference](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/volunteer_conference)

**San Antonio Stock Show Youth Day Photography Contest**

Open to: Junior, Intermediate and Senior 4-H'ers (8-18 yrs old as of Aug. 31, 2013)  
Entry Deadline is January 13, 2014  
For more information:  
<http://www.sarodeo.com/attractions/youth-day>

**Texas 4-H Invitational Photography Judging Contest**

Open to: Intermediate and Senior 4-H'ers  
Event held: June 10, 2014  
Location: Texas 4-H Roundup  
Just like livestock judging, participants will have six classes of photographs to evaluate and place into the correct order. In addition to placing classes, 4-H members will have a couple of problem classes to evaluate and judge as well.  
For more information:  
<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/photographyjudging>

**Healthy Lifestyles Invitational Contest**

Open to: Intermediate and Senior 4-H'ers  
The 4-H Healthy Lifestyles Invitational contest provides youth the opportunity to participate in a competitive event and utilize the knowledge and skills gained through participation in 4-H healthy lifestyles programs.  
For more information:  
[http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/healthy\\_lifestyles](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/healthy_lifestyles)

## PROJECT & CLUB MEETINGS

Sharing her Rabbit skills and knowledge with new members at the Rabbit Project meeting is Senior 4-H member Laycee Gibson.



Ready to serve the Medina 4-H Club are newly elected officers:

President—Hailey Morgan

Vice President—Amanda Turner

Secretary/Treasurer—Ashlyn Turner

Reporter—Kaila Morgan

Council Delegate—Jacelyn Barton

Demonstrating Rabbit Care techniques are Lakehills 4-H members, Dana Zavorka and Jenny Watson.



## PROJECT & CLUB MEETINGS

The 4-H Horse Judging Team held a "live" horse judging practice for team members on October 9th at the Mansfield Park Arena. Coach Dina Buettner and her team are getting ready for another great year.

Like horses or want to be a member of the horse judging team? Come to the next Horse Project meeting, Thursday, Nov. 7th at 6:30 pm at the Bandera County Extension Office. You don't have to own a horse to be a member.



Learning more about the duties of being a Game Warden, the Pipe Creek 4-H Club had Mr. Robert Greenwalt, Bandera County Game Warden as the guest speaker at their October club meeting.

Getting wrapped as the best dressed mummy, Tanner Kaples lets Kate Alexander and Emily Dibrell put the finishing touches on his costume. Pipe Creek 4-H held a "mummy" wrapping contest for the Recreation portion of their October club meeting.

Want to be a member of the Pipe Creek 4-H Club? Their meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at the Pipe Creek Community Center at 7pm. November meeting is November 20th!



## 4-H'ers Doing Good in the Community

The Pioneer 4H Club hosted "*Trick or Treat so Others Can Eat*" canned food drive to benefit the Helping Hands Food Pantry on Saturday, October 19 at Lowe's Supermarket. They collected 321 pounds of nonperishable foods and \$193 in cash donations!



Lakehills 4-H Club had Mr. and Mrs. Brischetto give a presentation on Community Service for their October 4-H club program. They gave many ideas on how to be a better part of the community. They featured information on water conservation and the Medina River Clean-Up that happens annually on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of May.

Sharing their Halloween treats with others, Pipe Creek 4-H Club members donated Halloween candy to the children of the Arms of Hope Medina Children's Home at their October club meeting.



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