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Floyd County 4-H News

Cow Pattie Bingo

Cow Pattie Bingo at Old Settlers is just around the corner (May 27th). We have books of tickets ready for you. We have 50 books of 10 tickets to be sold. We will give a cash prize of \$50 to the 4-H'er who sells the most tickets, plus you will receive 10 points toward your 4-H jacket, patch or senior scholarship per book of tickets sold. Prizes of \$500, \$300 and \$200 are awarded.

Tickets are due back to the Extension Office by Monday, May 22nd. All 4-Hers are expected to help out.

Bronze, Silver and Gold Star Awards

Applications for Bronze, Silver and Gold Star awards are due at the CEO on **Friday, July 7th**. Interviews for the awards will take place on Tuesday, July 11th at the County Extension Office.

In addition to the interviews, 4-H'ers are required to submit a 4-H record book due **June 26th at NOON**. All applications are available on-line at floyd.agrilife.org. Go to publications, then choose 4-H. Scroll down the page to locate the Bronze, Silver and Gold Star applications, interview questions and score cards.

Shooting Sports State Games

Registration for the 2017 State Games opens on 4H Connect next month. The Archery Event will be held July 16-22 and Shotgun will be July 18-22 at the National Shooting Complex, San Antonio, TX. The Hunting & Wildlife, Muzzle Loading, Pistol and Rifle Events will be held July 9 – 14 at the Austin Rifle Club in Manor. For more information you can visit the State Games tab on the State Shooting Sports webpage <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shootingsports> or contact Patty or Winfield Davenport or the CEO.

Quarterly 4-H Club Meeting on May 9th at 5pm!

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Calendar of Events

MAY

09: Quarterly 4-H Club Meeting, Unity Center, 5pm

13: District Archery, Unity Center

13: Big 5 Horse Show, Amarillo

15: District Roundup, South Plains College

22: Cow Pattie Bingo Money and Tickets due to CEO

27: Old Settler's and Cow Pattie Bingo

30th-1st: Junior Leader Lab

June

3-4: State Rifle Contest, Victoria

3: Big 5 Horse Show, Amarillo

5-8: State 4-H Roundup, College Station

13: District Pistol Contest, Levelland

20: District Horse Show, TTU Equestrian Center

14: 4H20 Camp, Caprock Canyons

23-24: District Trap and Skeet Contest

26: Record Books due to CEO

30-2: Senior Leader Lab

30: State Fair Lamb and Steer Validation Due



I Dare You Award Applications Due

Each year Floyd County will award two with the I DARE YOU LEADERSHIP AWARD (2) senior 4-H'ers (age 14-18 by September 1 of the current year) with the I Dare You Award.

- All senior 4-H'ers are eligible to apply. Interested 4-H'ers must complete the county I Dare You Award application and submit it to the County Extension Office before the deadline
- No 4-H Record Book is required to apply.
- The Floyd County 4-H Parent/Leaders will select the winners each year, after reviewing all applications, by a secret ballot voting process.
- A 4-H'er may only receive the I Dare You Award one time in his or her 4-H career.

Applications for the I Dare You Award are available on-line at floyd-co.tamu.edu or you may call or come by the Extension Office for a copy of the application. Deadline for applications is **Wednesday, July 5th, NOON.**

D-2 4-H Day Camps

District 2 TAE4-HA is hosting a 4-H20 Camp at Caprock Canyons State Park in Quitaque on **June 14th**. Activities for the day will include: Fishing, Canoeing, Kayaking, Archery, Leather Craft, and Campfire Cooking. RSVP deadline is June 12th. District 2 will also host a 4-H Leadership Success Workshop in Plainview on **July 6th**. Along with a District 2 4-H Council Meeting, 4-H'ers will participate in leadership activities and the day will end with a dance. RSVP deadline is July 3rd. There is limited space available for both day camps so it is important to let the CEO know if you plan to attend. The cost is \$20 which includes both the 4-H20 camp and the Leadership Workshop. If you have any questions or want to RSVP call the CEO.

State & District 4-H Camps

If you are interested in attending a 4-H camp at the 4-H Center in Brownwood or District Junior Leader Lab or Power Camp, Floyd County Parent/Leaders Association will reimburse you ½ the cost of the camp if you will write a note of thanks to the parent/leader association when you return!

Senior Leadership Retreat is for 9th - 12th grade and is scheduled for June 30th—July 2nd. The camp is held at Plains Baptist Camp & Retreat Center.

For information on all the camps held at the 4-H Center in Brownwood, please contact the Extension Office.

Spring Validations

Steer, State Fair and Heart of Texas Heifer, State Fair Swine, State Fair Lamb and Goat physical validations all due June 30. We will notify you as soon as the dates are set for each species.



District Fashion Show Results

Congratulations to Rachel Graham , Sydni Chesshir, and Payten Shuping for competing at the District 4-H Fashion Show held at Christ the King School in Lubbock on April 20. Senior Rachel Graham placed 1st in Buying– Semi-Formal to Formal , Junior Sydni Chesshir placed 2nd in Buying– Dressy, and Junior Payten Shuping competed in Buying– Special Interest. Thank you for representing Floyd County so well and making us proud.

District Rifle Results

Floyd County's Rifle Team is District Champ! On Saturday, April 8th the Floyd County Senior Rifle Team competed at the District 2 4-H Rifle Contest at South Plains College. The senior team consisted of Arnie Martinez, Rachel Graham and Mason Esty. The team has been practicing for this contest for months and was thrilled to receive 1st place. In addition to the team's first place win, Arnie Martinez received 1st place High Individual, 1st place kneeling position, 1st place standing position, and 2nd place prone position. Mason Esty received 3rd place High Individual, 2nd place standing, 3rd place kneeling, and 3rd place prone. Their rifle coaches, Winfield Davenport and Jerry Chappell, were there to support them as well. It takes a lot of practice and a very steady hand to shoot as well as they did. Congratulations on a job well done and good luck at the state competition in Victoria, Texas in June.

Horse Project

Our next countywide horse practice will be Sunday, May 28th at 3pm at the rodeo arena in Floydada. We will have one county practice per month that will be open to anyone currently enrolled in 4-H. Please note, in order to bring your horse to practice you MUST have a current negative coggins test. You will not be allowed to practice if you are not enrolled in 4-H (for insurance and safety reasons) or if your horse is not current on health requirements. Please bring all necessary documents to the first practice. The Big 5 Horse Show Association is open for enrollment on their web site: www.big5horseshow.com. If you plan on competing please make sure you get registered as a member ASAP. The fee increases from \$20 to \$40 after March 10th. Here is a schedule of shows for the year:

Big 5 Horse Shows:

May 13, 2017	Moore County hosting at Dumas Arenas
May 20, 2017	Big 5 Assoc. hosting at Range Riders Arenas
June 3, 2017	Potter County hosting at Range Riders Arena

District 2 Horse Show:

June 20th at the Texas Tech Equestrian Center in Wolfforth

State Horse Show:

July 22-29 at the Taylor Expo Center in Abilene

May 1st is the absolute deadline for validation of horses. Please contact Cristen Brooks if you have a horse that needs to be validated



Basic Horse Handling Tips

Here are a few tips and reminders that are important to follow when handling a horse. Following these tips will ensure your safety as well as the horse's. 1) Never walk under the rope when a horse is tied up, always go around their back end. 2) When walking around the back end of a horse make sure they know you are there by placing your hand on top of their rear and talking to them. 3) When leading a horse always try to lead from the left side and don't loop your lead rope, instead keep it in a figure 8 pattern so if the horse runs off it will not close around your hand. 4) When leading a horse try and lead standing next to them rather than in front of them, this keeps you out of the way if your horse is spooked or wants to run. 5) Mount and dismount your horse from the left side. 6) Use a quick release knot when tying a horse up, that way if they pull back you can untie them quickly. 7) Always check your cinch again right before you mount your horse. Sometimes horses will hold air in their stomach when you are saddling them and later your saddle will be loose if you don't tighten it up.

Recordbook Information

Recordbooks are due to the County Extension office by **June 26th** for county judging. They will be due back to the CEO on **July 7th** if they are chosen to move onto District Recordbook judging on **July 12th**. If you have questions about recordbooks or were not able to attend the Recordbook training in April, please contact the CEO for more information.



Floyd County AgriLife Web Address:

<http://floyd.agrilife.org/>. Point sheets for each club, newsletters and upcoming events can be found on this page. The old address should direct you to this page automatically.

4-H Newsletter Online:

If you would rather read the 4-H Newsletter online go to: <http://floydagrilife.org>. 4-H Jacket Achievement Point Sheets are also online for you to print off.

Memorials:

Did you know that memorials for loved ones can be made to the Floyd County 4-H Scholarship fund? Memorials help fund our Gold Star scholarships.

Trivia!

- 1. When will cow pattie bingo take place and where?**
- 2. When is 4-H2O Camp?**
- 3. When is the District Archery Contest?**

E-Mail your answers to floyd@ag.tamu.edu and receive 1 point towards your 4-H Jacket, Patch, Tshirt or Senior Scholarship.

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7	8	9 4-H Club Meeting, Unity Center, 5pm	10	11	12	13 District Archery, Unity Center Big 5 Horse Show, Amarillo
14	15 District Roundup, South Plains College	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Cow Pattie Bingo Monday and Tickets due to CEO	23	24	25	26	27 Old Settler's and Cow Pattie Bingo
28	29	30 Junior Leader Lab	31	→		



Complete this Memorial Day Word search for 1 point towards your jacket, patch, t-shirt or senior scholarship. Come by the office and make copies for all the 4-H'ers in your family if you need to.



Memorial Day

Last Monday in May



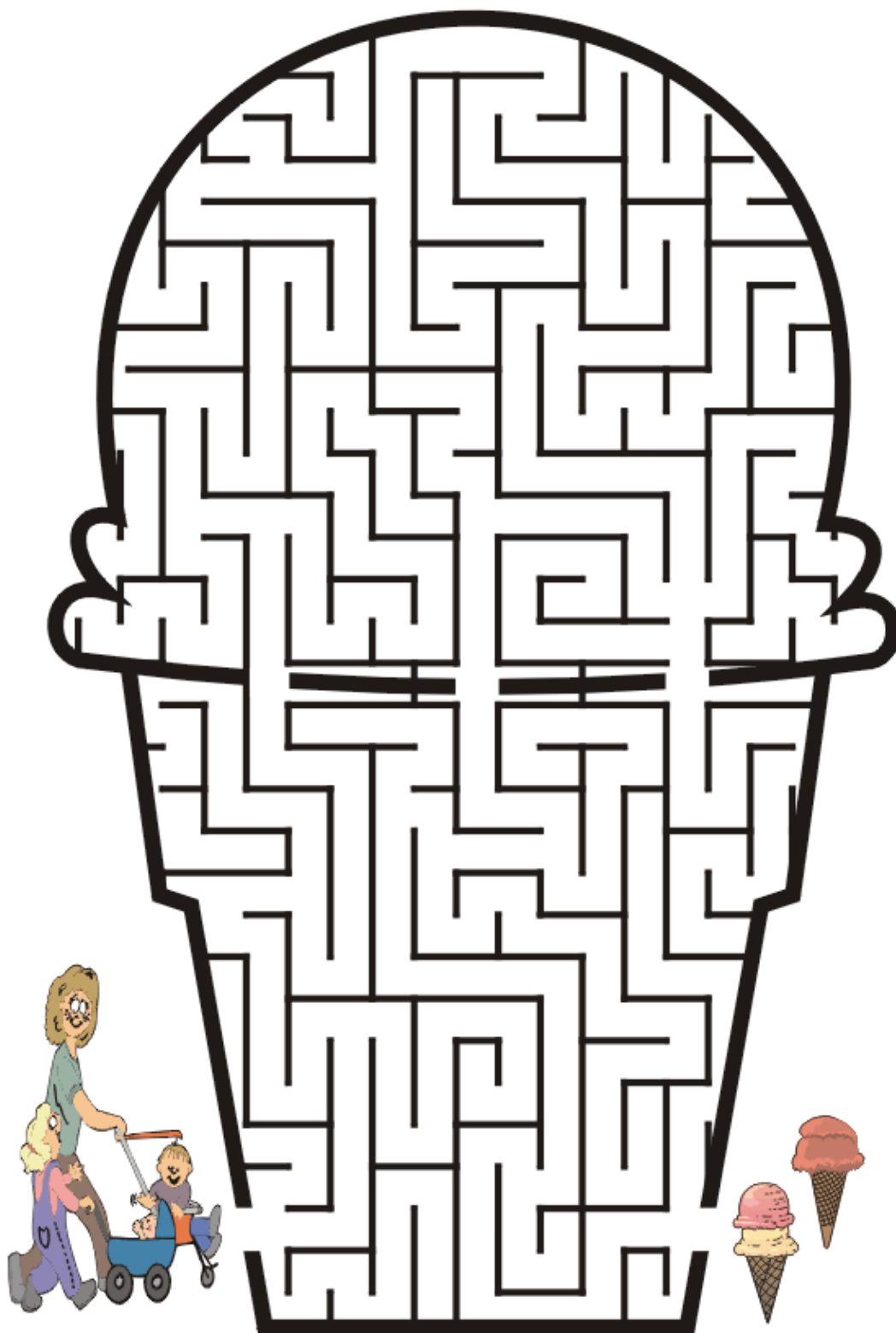
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Complete this Ice Cream Maze for 1 point towards your jacket, patch, t-shirt or senior scholarship. Come by the office and make copies for all the 4-H'ers in your family if you need to.





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