



September 2017

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# Floyd County 4-H News

## Shooting Sports Kickoff Event & Ribbon Cutting

Floyd County 4-H Shooting Sports is hosting a Shooting Sports Kickoff and Ribbon Cutting on the new building on September 19th. This event will have 3 parts, a ribbon cutting at 5:30, a required shooting sports safety meeting at 6:00pm (if you plan on doing any shooting sports activities this year) and a "Give it your best shot" event following the safety meeting where kids can try out different disciplines.

We will be serving hamburgers that evening and current shooting sports members will be required to bring an item for the burgers. You can count this as community service. We will have a sign-up sheet here at the office for you to call and sign up. We hope everyone can make it and please spread the word and bring a friend, this will not be limited to 4-H members only! Let Winfield or myself know if you have any questions.

Hamburger Items Still Needed:

Mayo

Chips (4 bags total)

Lettuce

## September 4-H Meeting

Floyd County 4-H will have their first combined 4-H meeting of the 2017-2018 year on September 12th at 6PM at the Unity Center. Floydada Club will be hosting this meeting so please check your email to see if you have a responsibility for this meeting. All officers are expected to show up 30 minutes early to help set up. If you have any questions please contact the county extension office at 983-4912.

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## Calendar of Events

### September

**4: Labor Day, office closed**

**11: Food & Nutrition Meeting, CEO,  
5:30pm**

**12: 4-H Club Meeting, Unity Center  
@ 6pm**

**15: Heifer tag orders due**

**18: South Plains Fair Women's  
Building Entries due to CEO**

**19: Shooting Sports Kickoff & Rib-  
bon Cutting @ Unity Center**

**22-30: South Plains Fair**

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## Shooting Sports Reminders

To receive a text reminder, select the discipline you want to receive, and text from the phone you want to receive the messages on. Text the corresponding message to 81010. To receive an email reminder, select the discipline and send an email to the corresponding email address. You do not have to fill in the subject line or write a message. Reminds will be sent out if any disciplines plan to practice this month. Also please like “Texas A&M AgriLife Floyd County Shooting Sports” on Facebook.

Text Message to 81010

Archery @floydarch floydarch@mail.remind.com

Hunt&Wild @floydhw floydhw@mai.remind.com

Muzzload @floydmuzzl floydmuzzl@mail.remind.com

Pistol @floydpistl floydpistl@mail.remind.com

Rifle @floyd rifle floydrifle@mail.remind.com

Shotgun @floydshotg floydshotg@mail.remind.com

## Monthly Photo Contest: September Theme is “Livestock”

Our monthly photo contest continues to be a success! September's theme will be “Livestock.” Anything goes here so get creative. Each month we ask that your child submit a photo that they have personally taken and post it to the Floyd County Extension Facebook page or email it to the office. There will be a \$15 gift card for the winner of the contest each month. If you need help with photography or have any questions please contact Cristen Brooks as she is the photography project leader and would love to help!

## Stock Horse of Texas Upcoming Shows

SHTX (Stock Horse of Texas) has 3 shows the remainder of the year. If you're interested in attending any of these shows please contact Cristen Brooks. Great practice in the off season!

**Hamilton, TX: Sep 8-9**

**Bryan, TX: Sep 22-23**

**Abilene World Show: Oct 26-29 (you don't have to qualify to attend)**

## 2017—2018 4-H Points Program

With the change to quarterly meetings, the points chairmen have changed the system of collecting point sheets. Starting September 1, there will be one point sheet for all Floyd County 4Hers. The point sheet will be available online. The 4Her will fill in the point sheet online and can print a copy for their records at that time. After they have completed their point sheet, they will click on the submit button at the top of the form. This button will email a copy of the point sheet to the CEO. There will still be a point sheet for each month. In order to qualify for high point, the point sheets must be turned in no later than 2 months following the month being submitted. Example: August point sheet should be turned in no later than October 31.



## Pumpkin Pleasers Booth at Punkin Days

Each year we have a booth at Punkin Days and sell pumpkin baked goodies to raise money. We sell pumpkin rolls, pumpkin pies, pumpkin bread, pumpkin cheesecake, pumpkin fudge, pumpkin pop corn or anything else pumpkin you can think of. You can make them early and freeze them. This money helps to pay for 4-H'ers attending camp, State Roundup, etc., so please do your part and help out. If you need pumpkin recipes, let me know.

We will need help setting up, working the booth and tearing down.

## Food and Nutrition Meeting

It's that time of year again to begin working on Food & Nutrition project! Food Show, Nutrition Quiz Bowl, and Food Challenge will all be this Fall and it takes a lot of work to get prepared. We are having an informational meeting on Monday, September 11th at 5:30 PM at the CEO for all 4-H'ers who are interested. Parents are encouraged to come as well. For more information or to RSVP contact the CEO at 983-4912.

## General Health Care for Livestock as Fairs Approach

As the South Plains Fair approaches, it is important for livestock exhibitors to remember that their animals need to be healthy and ready. There are a few key things to remember in the weeks leading up to the event that will help insure good animal health at the show.

- Regular exercise helps them stay healthy and keeps them in top shape for the shows.
- Clean water is crucial to the good health of an animal, water buckets should always be kept clean and the water should be fresh.
- Clean feed troughs are also important, there should not be any feed residue built up on the inner walls or bottom of the trough.
- Animals should never be fed old, stale or moldy feed. This can upset their digestion, making them sick or slowing down growth.
- Regular cleaning of the pens and other facilities reduce the risk of diseases being concocted or spreading among the animals.

The importance of cleanliness cannot be stressed enough; it reduces the risk of diseases in animals that are held in confined spaces for long periods of time. Regular exercise helps keep them physically strong and healthy, making it harder for them to get sick.

## Heifer Tag Orders

It is time to order heifer tags for the 2018 stock show season. There will be no cost for tag orders, please just turn in the number of head you will have. If you are planning to show a heifer at the county stock show a state validation tag will be required this year. The deadline for ordering tags is September 15th.



## 2017—2018 4-H Enrollment

Enrollment for the 2017—2018 4-H year began on August 15th and is \$20. It is important for all 4-H members to enroll so they are able to participate in 4-H activities. There is no cost to sign up Clover Kids, so please make sure to enroll them as well. We are also encouraging all parents and leaders to enroll on 4-H Connect. After November 1st the fee will be increased to \$25 so make sure to sign up as soon as possible. To enroll for the upcoming 4-H year please visit the 4-H connect website: <https://texas.4honline.com> or come the Floyd County Extension office to enroll.

## South Plains Fair Women's Building Entries

If you are interested in submitting a food item, craft, photograph, art, etc. to the South Plains Fair for judging please let me know by Friday, September 15th. I am requiring all items to be at the office no later than Monday, September 18th by 5PM so I can take them the following day to the fairgrounds. If you have any questions about submissions, please call the office at 983-4912 or come by and we will be happy to assist you.



### 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://floyd.agrilife.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 is the food & nutrition meeting?**
- 2. Who is hosting the first 4-H meeting?**
- 3. When is Punkin Days?**

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

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Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

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3	4 Labor Day, Office Closed	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Food & Nutrition Meeting, CEO, 5:30pm	12 Combined 4-H Meeting, Unity Cen- ter, 6pm	13	14	15 Heifer Tag Orders Due	16
17	18 South Plains Womens' Building Entries Due	19 Shooting Sports Kickoff & Ribbon Cutting @Unity Cen- ter	20	21	22 South Plains Fair	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30



Complete this Autumn 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.



# Autumn Word Search



Y	M	V	R	A	L	N	S	E	Z	A	Y	N	H	Q
P	J	I	C	E	O	E	N	U	I	L	V	C	A	Y
X	S	O	G	S	B	I	A	P	O	S	M	H	Y	E
B	R	I	A	R	H	O	O	V	C	K	A	C	R	L
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ACORN  
BEAUTIFUL  
CORNUCOPIA  
FOOTBALL  
LEAVES  
OCTOBER  
RAKE  
SCENIC  
SQUIRREL  
YELLOW

APPLE  
BONFIRE  
CRISP  
HARVEST  
MIGRATION  
ORANGE  
RIPE  
SEASON  
SUNFLOWER

AUTUMN  
BROWN  
FOLIAGE  
HAYRIDE  
NOVEMBER  
PUMPKIN  
SCARECROW  
SEPTEMBER  
SUNSHINE



Complete this Autumn Word Scramble for 1 point towards your jacket, patch, t-shirt or senior scholarship.  
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## Autumn Scramble

Can you unscramble the Autumn words below?



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2. aveesl

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3. cesowrrac

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4. lowlye

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5. binrefo

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6. prae

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7. aker

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8. racon

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9. isrqeulr

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10. alppe

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11. nagreo

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12. lfal

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13. rde

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14. owbrn

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A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Muir".A smaller, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Muir".

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