



JANUARY - FEBRUARY, 2018

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Dear 4-H Leaders & Vo-Ag Teachers:

We hope you and your family had a wonderful holiday season. There are many activities to prepare for the 2018 Fair which will be here before we know it. Please announce the following information at your monthly club/chapter meetings to the exhibitors and their parents.

JANUARY - Happy New Year!

JANUARY 4 - MARKET RABBIT RECOMMENDED BREEDING DATE

JANUARY 6 & 20 - GOAT & LAMB CLINIC - sponsored by the GCF&R Goat & Lamb Committees, 9:30 am for goats and 11 am for Lambs in the Livestock Pavilion on the fairgrounds at Jack Brooks Park. **Small Animal Scales** will be open for weighing goats and lambs from 9 am to 1 pm.

JANUARY 6 & 20 - STEER & HEIFER CLINIC - sponsored by Colts 4H and the Galveston County Fair & Rodeo, 1 pm in the Livestock Pavilion on the fairgrounds at Jack Brooks Park. **Large Animal Scales** will be open for weighing steer and heifer projects from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

JANUARY 10 - MANDATORY SCRAMBLE MEETING will be held at 7 pm in the Youth Building for all 2018 Scramble Program applicants and their parents/guardians. 4H Leaders and Ag Teachers are encouraged to attend. **The rules will be explained and applications will be handed out at that time.** If you have questions, please contact Forrest Dillon at 281-795-2181.

JANUARY 13 - MARKET SWINE TAG-IN - 8 am to 11 am at the fairgrounds. All swine planning to be shown at the 2018 Fair **MUST** be presented on this date during the specified times.

JANUARY 25 - DEADLINES:

1. Scramble Applications must be turned in before 6 pm. You must have attended the meeting on January 13th to receive an application. No late applications will be accepted.
2. 4H Club Manager and Ag Teacher deadline for turning in Exhibitor Entry Applications, Summary Sheet and Payment for their entire Club/Chapter **NO LATER THAN 6 pm.**

JANUARY 31 - Deadline to purchase 2018 fair memberships.

FEBRUARY - Happy Valentine's Day!

FEBRUARY 3 - GOAT & LAMB CLINIC - sponsored by the GCF&R Goat & Lamb Committees, 9:30 am for goats and 11 am for Lambs in the Livestock Pavilion on the fairgrounds at Jack Brooks Park. **Small Animal Scales** will be open for weighing goats and lambs from 9 am to 1 pm. **STEER & HEIFER CLINIC** - sponsored by Colts 4H and the Galveston County Fair & Rodeo, 1 pm in the Livestock Pavilion on the fairgrounds at Jack Brooks Park. **Large Animal Scales** will be open for weighing steer and heifer projects from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

FEBRUARY 8 - STUDENT VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION for Senior Citizens Day, Special Kids Day and Schools Day. Volunteers must be in grades 5 - 12 and must attend one volunteer orientation meeting either Thursday, February 8 or Tuesday, February 20 promptly at 7:00 pm in the Youth Building. **No one will be admitted into the meeting room once it has started.** Applications must be signed by the student volunteer and by their parent/guardian. The completed application must be

turned in to the chairperson before you leave the meeting. ABSOLUTELY NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

FEBRUARY 10 - HORTICULTURE VERIFICATION for the Youth Project Show will be held from 9 am to 12 noon in the Youth Building located on the fairgrounds. All horticulture entries must be brought to the Youth Building and will be verified & photographed by the YPS committee on this day at this time.

FEBRUARY 16 - LAS VEGAS NIGHT - doors open at 6pm - the fun begins at 7 pm in the Ed Pickett Memorial Hall. All parents are encouraged to join us for fun, food, games and prizes. See you there!

FEBRUARY 17 - GOAT & LAMB SHOWDOWN - sponsored by the GCF&R Goat & Lamb Committees, 9:30 am for goats and 11 am for Lambs in the Livestock Pavilion on the fairgrounds at Jack Brooks Park. **Small Animal Scales** will be open for weighing goats and lambs from 9 am to 1 pm.

FEBRUARY 17 - STEER & HEIFER SHOWDOWN - sponsored by Colts 4H and the Galveston County Fair & Rodeo, 1 pm in the Livestock Pavilion on the fairgrounds at Jack Brooks Park. **Large Animal Scales** will be open for weighing steer and heifer projects from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

FEBRUARY 20 - SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS are due in the Fair Office by 5:00 pm.

FEBRUARY 20 - STUDENT VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION for Senior Citizens Day, Special Kids Day and Schools Day. Volunteers that did not attend the first meeting should meet tonight **promptly at 7:00 pm** in the Youth Building. **No one will be admitted into the meeting once it has started.** Applications must be signed by the student volunteer and by their parent/guardian. The completed application must be turned in to the chairperson before you leave the meeting. ABSOLUTELY NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

FEBRUARY 20 - AG MECHANICS SHOW entry forms and money due in fair office by 5:00 pm.

FEBRUARY 22 - FAIR KING & FAIR QUEEN and JR. & LITTLE MR. & MISS 4-H Entry forms are due in the Fair Office by 5:00 pm.

***UPCOMING FOR MARCH:**, March 8 - Deadline for Youth Project Show, Student Art & Cowboy/Cowgirl Entry Forms are due in the Fair Office; March 9 - Market Broiler Pickup; MARCH 20 - FIRST DAY TO PICK-UP MEMBERSHIP PASSES, ALL PASSES MUST BE PICKED UP BY APRIL 12TH.

REMINDER: Don't forget to work on your projects for the **2018 YOUTH PROJECT SHOW**. Great prizes will be awarded to the winners! Don't miss out!

REMINDER: ALL 4H CLUBS/FFA CHAPTERS WHO USE THE YOUTH BUILDING AND LIVESTOCK PAVILION FOR MEETINGS AND EVENTS, PLEASE HELP US KEEP THESE AREAS CLEAN FOR THE NEXT GROUP!!!

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REMINDER: **SCRAMBLE RECIPIENTS** - DO NOT FORGET TO TURN IN YOUR PROOF OF PURCHASE FORM ALONG WITH A COPY OF THE RECEIPT OR BILL OF SALE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR MONEY. ALSO, DO NOT FORGET TO TURN IN YOUR MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE FAIR OFFICE BY THE 10TH OF THE MONTH FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH'S ACTIVITIES. DO NOT FORGET TO BRING YOUR STAMPED ENVELOPE ADRESSED TO THE SPONSOR SO WE CAN MAIL THEIR COPY OF THE REPORT TO THEM.

REMINDER: **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** FOR GCF&R NOW THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2018. BECOME A PART OF THE FAIR, PURCHASE YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

Well that wraps it up for now!!!

Melody D. Bender, Fair Coordinator *Julie Ramirez*, Assistant Coordinator

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