

# CHEROKEE AGRILIFE NEWS



Fall 2020

TEXAS A&M  
AGRI LIFE  
EXTENSION

12th

Annual



**Beef, Lamb, & Goat**

**Saturday Clinic**

**Novice Exhibitors**

**\$50 per exhibitor**

**Limit 1 species only**

*Clinic participants allowed  
1 free entry in Sunday Show*

## **RULES & REGISTRATION**

<https://agrilife.org/etsss/>



**\$75 Late Fee for Clinic**

**After Nov 6**

***Bring Own Shavings  
Generators Encouraged***

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**November 14-15, 2020**

**Rusk County Youth Expo  
Center**

**Henderson TX**

**Sunday 2 ring**

**Jackpot Show**

**\$50 per head**

**All animals MUST BE IN  
BY PLACE by 5PM  
SATURDAY**

**Heifer, Lamb, Goat cards due  
by 5 pm Saturday**

**Steers Weigh & Classify 5-7pm  
Cattle shown by division**

**Limit to 1 species only**

Show Coordinators:	Jamie Sugg	903.657.0376
	Jo Smith	936.544.7502
Beef Cattle:	Lane Dunn	936.598.7744
Sheep:	Skyler Shively	903.590.2980
Goat:	Spencer Perkins	903.675.6130

**All fees non-refundable, non-transferable. Anyone needing special assistance at an Extension Program should contact the Rusk County Extension Office at 903.657.0376 by October 23, 2020**



# 4-H Headlines

Willie Arnwine, CEA—4H/YD



Returning Members and New Families,

Welcome to the '20-'21 Cherokee County 4-H Program. This last year was more than just 'a little' crazy. It seemed like just when we were building up a good head of steam, Covid blew in from China and took the rails right out from under us. Well, hopefully, we will be past all this pandemic pandemonium soon and life can return to normal. One thing is for sure though, the shut-downs certainly forced all of us out of our comfort zones and into the digital world in ways no one knew was possible a year ago. Though the learning curve has been steep, I, along with all of the other agents in Cherokee County and across the State have been working hard to provide each of you with better and more relevant 4-H programming opportunities. I'm sure that some of you have heard by now that we are currently short-staffed here in the CEO. Nicole Vance, the FCH Agent who started in our office last January, left us in July for a teaching position. With the mandated State budget cuts being what they are, please understand that it might be a little while before we are able to fill that open position. Therefore, I will be doing my level best to field all of your 4-H FCH project-related questions. So, until further notice, I'm the go-to guy for 4-H Food, Fashion & Consumer info. All non-4-H related FCH based questions will be deferred to FCH Agents in neighboring counties.

If you haven't yet noticed, you will soon. Our online 4-H enrollment system got an overhaul during the shut-downs as well. This means that '4-H Connect' has been retired and I can't say I'm sad to goodbye. We've now moved on to "4hOnline" and it has a totally different feel and look. The first thing you need to know about it is that it was made to be 'smart device friendly'. So your phones will have no issues maneuvering through the pages. Also, you need to know that it will work best if accessed through a computer if you access it through Google 'CHROME'. Thus far, we have only found a few minor bugs in the system. To log in and enroll for this year, please follow this link: <https://texas.4honline.com>. If you have any problems, please take a look at 4hOnline's [enrollment guide](#).

Also new this year... Over the summer we have had quite a few new families move into our county so if you see some new faces at your local 4-H club meeting, please introduce yourselves and make them feel welcome as part of the family. In terms of new leadership, Austin Young, has taken the reigns of the Cherokee 4-H Clay Crushers. As the club's new manager, he wants to make sure that each of you understand that every Cherokee County 4-H member is welcome to try their club on for size. You never know, it just might fit you perfectly. If you want to reach him, you can find him at the State Farm Insurance Office in Rusk. Since I mentioned that Shooting Sports change, I figure now is a good time to mention that Archery interest and participation across the District has increased to the point where we may be adding a District Level Archery Contest soon. I'll get back to you soon with more details whenever they become available. Until then, if your bow is in need of a tune or you are interested in participating in the Cherokee County 4-H Archery project, call on Marlin Watson over at 'Outtasight Archery' in Maydelle. Marlin is the manger over the other Cherokee County 4-H Shooting Sport club, C4HSS. His 4-H archery project should be gearing-up as soon so be ready for more info soon here too.

Well, that's about it from my desk but as always, if you need more information on specific project or program, feel free to contact me here in the office at (903) 683-5416 or on my cell phone (903) 330-4397. You can also text me; however, if you are new to the program or if it's the first time you are texting me, please remember to include your name and club in the text. You can also contact me via email anytime at [warnwine@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:warnwine@ag.tamu.edu). I'll do my best to return your emails on the next working day, if not the same day. Let's make this year 4-H Great!

Sincerely,  
W. Arnwine

Texas 4-H Presents

## Virtual Ag Product ID Contest

Nov 10 | Teams Meeting | 4p.m. & 6p.m.

Register by October 28th  
\$10 per 4-Her on 4-H Online

Age Divisions		
Junior	Senior	Adult
3rd—8th grade	9th—12th grade	\$5 per adult

Prizes Awarded to Top 3 Individuals ( All Divisions) & Top 3 Teams (Jr & Sr Divisions)

Must register on [4-H Online](#) to receive Teams link.

## Explore Rabbits: A Virtual Hare Raising Experience

Begins October 13th

Oct 13: Getting Started & Things to Think About

Oct 15: Caring for Your Rabbits

Oct 20: Bringing Your Rabbits Home

Oct 22: Market vs Breeding Rabbits

Oct 27: What to Expect at the Show

Oct 29: After the Show

Sessions are available live on the above dates from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Sessions are recorded to watch at your convenience.

Registration is \$25 which includes your 2020-2021 4-H enrollment fee.

[Register here](#)

## JUNIOR LEADERSHIP RETREAT

November 13-15th

Texas 4-H Center

Lake Brownwood, Texas

4-H Members 3rd—8th grade

Workshops Include:

Field to Fashion

Escape Room

STEM—Rewrite the Stars

Leadership

The Greatest Show (Shark Tank)

To register visit: [texash4center.tamu.edu](http://texash4center.tamu.edu)

\$140/youth \$110/adult

Late fee \$50 after October 30th

Each county is responsible for providing screened chaperones through 4-H Online.

## Texas 4H 2020 Christmas Card Design Contest

Submit your best TEXAS Christmas design for the 2nd Annual Christmas Card Design Contest. You could be one of FIVE members to win \$100!

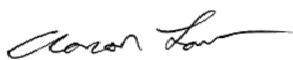
Winning designs will be used as the Official 4-H Foundation Christmas card and available for purchase!

Proceeds from sales will go toward Texas 4-H Programs. See [entry form](#) for contest rules and details.

Open to 4-H Members of all Ages!

Pre-order a multi-pack of Christmas Cards by Nov 10th for a chance to win a \$50 gift card!

Aaron Low, CEA-AgNR



## CEU Breakfast Meetings

Those in need of CEUs for their Pesticide License can join us each month for our Breakfast CEU Meetings. Each meeting will be a Dutch treat breakfast and those in attendance will receive one hour of Pesticide CEU credits.

There will be a one-time \$10 fee for attending the yearlong Breakfast CEU Series.

The following dates, times and locations have been set.

**(Notice the 7 a.m. start time for the November Meeting)**

Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 a.m.	Beverly's Express—Rusk
Nov. 17 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 a.m.	Miss Mollie's—Alto
Dec 15 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 a.m.	Beverly's Café—Jacksonville

## East Texas Beef & Forage Clinic

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Rusk County Expo Center

3303 FM 13 | Henderson, Texas 75652

5 CEU Credits

Registration begins at 8 a.m. | Program starts at 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast Refreshments Sponsored by Heritage Land Bank

Topics covered will be:

**Feral Hog Control Options in East Texas (1 IPM)**

Jamie Sugg, Rusk County Extension Agent

**Herbicide update on Rezilon and other Bayer products (1 Gen)**

Rob Brooks-Bayer

**Herbicide update on Corteva products (1 Gen)**

Daniel Mielke-Corteva

Lunch Sponsored by Copeland Insurance Group

**Understanding the Pesticide Labels (1 L&R)**

Lee Dudley, Panola County Extension Agent

**Herbicide Comparison Result Demonstration Summary (1 Gen)**

Clint Perkins, Smith County Extension Agent

Registration \$20 per person

RSVP by November 13<sup>th</sup> at 903-683-5416 or 903-657-0376 to guarantee your lunch reservation.

## Short on Hay?

A different winter feeding approach, other than hay, could be the use of standing or stockpiled warm season perennials (such as bermudagrass or bahiagrass). These forages are allowed to accumulate in the field for grazing during fall and early winter. Stockpiled bermudagrass can provide the required nutrition for dry, pregnant cows through January if the appropriate procedure is followed. Producers should plan on providing approximately 45 to 60 days of grazing with the dormant bermudagrass. In most instances, stockpiled bermudagrass should be used up by January. Once the stockpiled bermudagrass is completely grazed, a shift to another winter feeding option (cool season forages and/or hay).

Adequate moisture combined with the appropriate fertility program is required to produce the desired bermudagrass quantity and nutritive value. If fertilizer is not applied after cutting or grazing in August, producers may still take advantage of accumulated forage during the fall. There will not be as much forage accumulated and forage nutritive value will be lower. The forage, however, may still be utilized, providing appropriate supplementation is provided. If adequate moisture is not received during September, October and November, little bermudagrass will be produced and grazing initiation may be delayed.



Stockpiled Bermudagrass (photo courtesy of Dr. Jason Banta)

**Steps to stockpile bermudagrass/bahiagrass include:**

- Graze pasture to a 2-3" stubble height or harvest the final cutting of hay in preparation for fertilization approximately 8 weeks prior to first anticipated frost.
- Apply 60 to 75 lbs of Nitrogen and phosphorus and potassium based on soil test recommendations.
- Defer pastures from grazing and allow forage to accumulate until frost or forage is needed.
- Initiate grazing in response to the need for hay supplementation.
- When stockpiled forage is completely grazed, it will be time to start traditional hay feeding program or initiate grazing cool season forages.
- Be sure to provide free choice mineral supplement to cattle and monitor body condition of the cattle.



## Liquid Calcium: A substitute for what?

By: Dr. Vanessa Corriher-Olson

The transportation and application costs associated with limestone applications often exceeds the cost of the limestone by 10-30 times. When soil test recommendations call for three, four or even five tons per acre, the end cost can sometimes exceed \$300 per acre. Increasingly producers are looking toward non-traditional approaches to battle low soil pH. Over the past several years, online ad postings have stressed the liquid calcium formulation marketed by company X or Y is many times more available than the calcium in limestone. In general, the ads do not claim to be a limestone substitute, but a source of soluble calcium. Many producers and even some agricultural retailers view these ads and are falsely guided toward believing that increasing plant available calcium will often or even eliminate the derogatory influence of low soil pH. A number of clientele have found that their liquid calcium treatment did not alter pH or improve their forage grass production.

### What is liquid calcium?

The products are largely calcium chloride, one of the few highly soluble calcium minerals/salts. A few are calcium nitrate, also very soluble. Many soil testing laboratories will recommend calcium sulfate (gypsum) to producers who have limiting soil test calcium levels. Gypsum is easy to apply in a dry formulation, is not corrosive, will not significantly contribute to overall soil salinity, low cost and yet it's solubility is fairly low, allowing for single applications to provide season long availability of calcium and some sulfur. Calcium chloride, calcium nitrate and calcium sulfate are all considered to be neutral salts, in that they will not directly raise or lower the soil pH.

### Why do these soluble calcium sources not alter pH?

Before addressing this, the question of what is pH is in order. Soil pH, and all other pH measurements, is the relationship between the  $H^+$  cation and the  $-OH$  anion. At pH 7, the  $H^+$  and  $-OH$  equal each other. Now, why are these neutral salts? As calcium is introduced into the soil, the individual calcium cations will displace the soil acidity ( $+H$ ) from the soil cation exchange sites, in face calcium will displace two  $H^+$  cations. The newly displaced  $+H$  acidic cations go into solution with the anion from the soluble calcium source, in this cases, either chloride, nitrate, or sulfate. Thus, in solution is hydrogen chloride, hydrogen nitrate and di-hydrogen sulfate, which we know as the strong acids; hydrochloric acid, nitric acid and sulfuric acid. Thus the introduction of soluble calcium only move the acidity, it did not "neutralize" the acidity.

### What is required to neutralize soil acidity?

The acidity ( $H^+$ ) must be chemically transformed into a non-acid. In the case of limestone or dolomite, the carbonate anion reacts with two  $H^+$  cations to form a water molecule and a carbon dioxide molecule. In the case of lime (calcium oxide and calcium hydroxide), the oxide reacts with two  $H^+$  cations to form water, when hydroxides are present, one  $H^+$  cation reacts with one  $-OH$  to form water. In each of these cases, two  $H^+$  acidic cations are displaced off the soil cation exchange sites by either a calcium or magnesium cation and the  $H^+$  cations react with either a carbonate, oxide or hydroxide to form water and carbon dioxide in the case of limestone or dolomite.

### The verdict, should I use liquid calcium products?

If your soil test results call for needed calcium, but your soil pH indicates no need for limestone/pH adjustment, then one of these liquid calcium products could provide a solution to your soil fertility needs. This scenario is uncommon in most of Texas, except for peanuts grown on very sandy neutral pH soils. However, if you soil pH is low and calls for the application of limestone, the liquid calcium described above are not a solution for your pH adjustment. In this case, the application of limestone and/or dolomite is the only broad scale method of adjusting your soil pH.





# Garden of Learning

Cherokee County Horticulture Newsletter

Kimberly Benton, County Extension Agent—Horticulture

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"For man, autumn is a time of harvest, of gathering together. For nature, it is a time of sowing, of scattering abroad." - Edwin Way Teale

- ☞ The cooler temperatures bring us right back to the garden. It is fall now, and that means looking toward winter and planning for spring. Here are some things to do to keep your garden in good shape:
- ☞ Make a plan to replenish your mulch. Mulch should ideally be reapplied every Spring and Fall, so keep March and November in mind for that replenishment.
- ☞ October is the perfect time to scatter your spring wildflower seeds—bluebonnets, poppies, American basket flower, and many more, benefit from being sown in the Fall, and you benefit from Spring blooms. Remember that the seeds need good soil contact, so in order to get the best germination, it is good to prepare the area beforehand.
- ☞ Keep Christmas cactus in a sunny spot where night temperatures can be kept below 65 degrees F. Buds will drop if you allow night temperatures to go above 70 degrees F or if you allow the plant to become excessively dry. They should also be kept in total darkness from 5:00 pm until 8:00 am for about 30 days in October to initiate flower buds. Keep plants on the dry side for a month prior to treatment.
- ☞ Fall is when those gorgeous Daffodil blooms in the Springtime get their start. Plant bulbs in well prepared beds so the base of the bulb is at a depth that is three times the diameter of the bulb. In sandy soil, set slightly deeper and in clay soils less deeply. Keep an eye out for local Master Gardener plant sales for excellent bulbs for your area.
- ☞ If you have saved seeds of your favorite plants, allow them to become air dry, then place them in an airtight container and store in the refrigerator. Be sure to label each packet carefully. Remember, seed from hybrid plants will seldom resemble the parent plant.

Facebook Live videos every Friday at 1pm on  
[Aggie Horticulture FB Page](#)—get your questions  
answered online!

## Earth-Kind® Webinar Series Coming Thursdays @ 6:30pm:

**Oct. 29th:** How to get Started on an Earth-Kind Landscape—Where and How to Clear

**Nov 5th:** Soil Prep and Composting  
(Jud Morrison will be joining us for composting)

**Nov 12th:** Plant Selection—Choosing What's Best for Your Garden

**Nov 19th:** Overwintering Care and Maintenance

Call 903-683-5416 or email  
[jennifer.crowley@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:jennifer.crowley@ag.tamu.edu) to register for this online event.

Congratulations to Cherokee County Master Gardener, Robert Selman, for being honored by the Texas Master Gardener Association as an Outstanding Individual Master Gardener.

Robert Selman and Keith Billings are the only two such Master Gardeners to have been honored in this way.



CHEROKEE CO MASTER GARDENERS PRESENT

# SCARECROW TRAIL

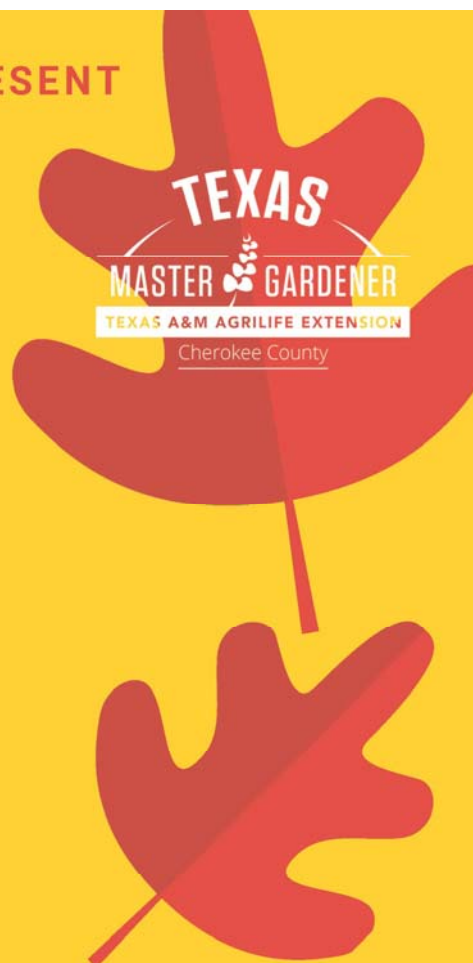


October 24th - 31st

8am - 3pm

Closed on Sundays

Admission: 1 canned good or \$1 per  
person in support of HOPE - Helping  
Others Pursue Enrichment



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# FALL PLANT SALE

October 24th ONLY  
8am - 3pm

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Texas A&M AgriLife Extension is an equal opportunity employer and program provider. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Cherokee County Family & Community Health Agent position is currently vacant with no estimated date of when the position will be filled.

## Basic Recipe Alterations Can Make For More Healthful Holiday Meals

Paul Schattenberg, 210-859-5752, paschattenberg@ag.tamu.edu

Contact: Dr. Jenna Anding, 979-847-9228, j-anding@tamu.edu

Holiday meals can be healthier and taste just as good by using some basic recipe substitutions or alterations, said a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert.

"The sugar, fat or sodium content of almost any holiday recipe can be reduced without a noticeable difference in taste," said Dr. Jenna Anding, AgriLife Extension Service program leader in family and community health, College Station.

Anding said reducing sugar, salt and fat content are the most effective means of making holiday meals healthier.

"If a recipe calls for a cup of sugar, use two-thirds of a cup," she said. "If it calls for a half-cup of oil, shortening or other fat, use one-third cup."

Anding said processed foods typically have a higher salt or sodium content, so consumers should be vigilant and check food labels for sodium content and other nutrition data.

"If you would typically use one-half teaspoon of salt in a recipe, try a quarter-teaspoon instead or leave the salt out entirely," she suggested. "And remember that low-fat doesn't always mean low-calorie, so be aware of both when making holiday food selections."

Anding suggested using reduced-fat or non-fat cheese, milk, cream cheese, cottage cheese, yogurt or mayonnaise instead of their higher-fat counterparts.

"Try substituting evaporated milk for cream," she said. "For mashed potatoes, try using defatted broth instead of butter to reduce both fat and calories. Another alternative is to make a mashed cauliflower dish instead of mashed potatoes."

Anding warned modifying more complicated recipes may not always produce the desired texture, so it's best to test the recipe before serving to friends and family.

"Also, many traditional holiday foods can be healthy and nutritious choices, so long as they are prepared properly and not 'embellished' in ways that take away from that nutritional value," she noted.

For example, she said, if cooking a turkey, leave the skin on to contain the flavor, but then remove it afterward to reduce the fat content.

"Baste your turkey in its own juice or use a defatted broth," Anding said.

She said for vegetables, the healthiest method of cooking is either steaming or roasting using a small amount of oil or cooking spray.

"Try adding herbs and spices to enhance the flavor without adding any fat or calories," she said.

Anding said one holiday favorite in particular is full of phytochemicals and antioxidant properties, as well as essential vitamins and minerals.

"Sweet potatoes have fiber, vitamins A and C and manganese and are also low in calories, with a medium-sized baked sweet potato containing only about 100 calories," she explained. "The problem is when you embellish them with added sugar, butter and other ingredients. A baked sweet potato with a little bit of brown sugar and cinnamon is a far healthier option than one topped with butter and lots of marshmallows."

Anding said another popular holiday item, the cranberry, which is loaded with phytonutrients and known for having anti-inflammatory properties and promoting health, as well as possibly reducing the risk for disease.

"Adding fresh cranberries to salads and baked items such as muffins, cookies and pies is a good way to sneak in some extra nutrition and flavor," she said.

Even with healthier ingredients and preparation techniques, it's important to remember to exercise restraint at holiday meals, Anding noted.

"Many of us have favorite holiday foods we only eat a few times during the year," she said. "If that's the case, just pay attention to how much you eat and don't overdo it."

"Because holidays provide more opportunities to eat due to social gatherings, office parties and other festivities, try to plan accordingly so you can keep your calorie intake in check. And don't forget about getting some physical activity to help burn off extra calories and help relieve some of the stress often associated with the holidays – and that can sometimes lead to overeating."

For more food and nutrition information and resources, go to <https://fch.tamu.edu/>.



## Strawberry Banana Candy Cane



Servings: 4 people

### Ingredients:

10 strawberries  
4 bananas

### Instructions:

1. Wash your hands and clean your cooking area.
2. Slice the bananas approximately 1/2 inch thick.
3. Slice the top of the strawberry off and then slice the widest part of the strawberry approximately 1/2 inch thick.
4. Place the strawberries and bananas together to represent a candy cane.
5. On the bend you may wish to slice the strawberry/banana at an angle.
6. Use the end of the banana for the bottom of the cane curve.
7. Enjoy!



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## Prime Rib – It's what's for Christmas Dinner!



Nothing quite says Merry Christmas in Texas like a prime rib served as the main dish of your Christmas meal! When it comes time to prepare your prime rib this holiday season, be sure to reference Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's Path to the Plate's tips and tricks to ensure that the meat is cooked thoroughly and properly.

After purchasing, prime rib must be thawed and stored at a temperature below 40 °F to minimize the growth of bacteria. When cooking, it is traditionally prepared with a mixture of seasonings, then roasted under dry heat for 2-3 hours, depending on its size. When using a conventional oven to prepare your prime rib, follow these instructions:

- Preheat oven to 300 °F
- Season the outside of the roast as desired
- Cook, fat side up, to an internal temperature of 145 °F for medium doneness, which may take 20-25 minutes per pound. Use a thermometer to check the internal temperature
- Let stand 15-20 minutes before carving

When determining how many mouths your prime rib will feed this Christmas, keep in mind that a full prime rib is seven ribs, meaning that it weighs anywhere from 15 to 18 pounds. A prime rib this size can feed a family of 16 or more people, depending on the size of their appetite's. Smaller prime rib options are available, including those that weigh five pounds which can serve up to six to eight people.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## October

- 14 Cherokee County Junior Hay Judging Contest—Cherokee County Expo, Jacksonville
- 20 Breakfast CEU Series, Beverly's EXPRESS, Rusk
- 20 Cherokee County Hay Show & Sale, Cherokee County Expo, Jacksonville
- 24 Cherokee County Master Gardener Fall Plant Sale—Ruth B Nichols Arboretum, Jacksonville
- 24-31 Cherokee County Master Gardeners Scarecrow Trail—Ruth B Nichols Arboretum
- 29 Earth-Kind® Webinar Series @6:30 p.m.

## November

- 5 Earth-Kind® Webinar Series @6:30 p.m.
- 12 Earth-Kind® Webinar Series @6:30 p.m.
- 14-15 East Texas Show Star Series—Rusk County Youth Expo, Henderson
- 17 Breakfast CEU Series—Miss Mollie's, Alto
- 19 Earth-Kind® Webinar Series @6:30 p.m.
- 20 East Texas Beef & Forage Clinic

## December

- 1 CCJLS Entry Deadline: Market Steers, Non Registered Heifers, Miniature & Registered Heifers, Dairy Heifers, Pen of Commercial Heifers, Market Hogs, Poultry, Horses, Goats and Lambs
- 12 Validation of all sale eligible division animals (except rabbits, poultry and shop)
- 15 Breakfast CEU Series—Beverly's Café, Jacksonville

## Free Online Courses

Eating Well for Healthy Living is a 3-lesson online course in which participants learn to:

- reduce stress through meal planning and physical activity
- spending less and getting more at the grocery store
- storing and preparing food safely.

[Enroll](#) to get back to the basics and start your journey to a healthier you!



The Emerald Ash Borer is the most destructive forest pest ever seen in North America.

This online course will teach learners:

- how to identify this pest
- differentiate it between another native borer
- when your ash trees should be protected and how to talk with a professional provider about preventive care for your ash trees.

[Enroll here](#)



## We Need Scarecrows! Come Join the Fun!

### 2020 Scarecrow Trail Entry Form

**DEADLINE:** Entry form must be received by Wednesday, October 21st. If mailing, please do so by October 19th.

#### SUBMIT ENTRY FORM TO:

Email: ccmgascarecrow@gmail.com  
 Mail: Scarecrow Trail PO Drawer B Rusk, TX 75785  
 Drop Off: Cherokee Co Extension Office 165 East 6th Street #104 Rusk, TX  
 Jacksonville Chamber Of Commerce 526 E Commerce St Jacksonville, TX



#### SCARECROW RULES:

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| 1. No scary or gory scarecrows.                | 5. No exhibits larger than 6 ft x 8 ft.                  |
| 2. No weapons of any kind.                     | 6. No direct or hard advertising.                        |
| 3. No loose items that might be blown around.  | 7. No political statements. We welcome patriotic themes. |
| 4. No signs larger than 22 inches x 28 inches. |  |

*CCMGA reserves the right to remove any display that violates these rules.*

#### SCARECROW TRAIL ENTRY FEE:

\$5.00 for businesses, organizations, churches, families and individuals

FREE for any individual or group entering through their school

#### DATES & TIMES:

**Setup:** Friday, October 23rd 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Take Down:** Monday, Nov 2nd 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 Tuesday, Nov 3rd 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

\*Scarecrows NOT removed by 1 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4th will become property of the CCMGA\*

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#### REQUIRED INFORMATION

Individual/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Scarecrow: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**TEACHERS:** Please provide the following information for EACH student entering a scarecrow, UNLESS you are entering a single scarecrow as a group project.

Student/Class Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name & Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that photographs of my entry may be used in future promotions. By signing this entry form, I declare that I have read and understand all instructions times and dates.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that my child's name will be used on the scarecrow signage along with school name; unless checked below.

\_\_\_\_\_ Do NOT use my child's name.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



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