

West Hardin FFA October Newsletter

Here are just a few events that the West Hardin did for the Month of September and the beginning of October:

- Fresh Country Sale
- Chapter meeting
- Visit from SHSU Student Teachers
- District Leadership Training
- Rice Judging Competition
- Texas Rice Festival Welding Contest
- Texas Rice Festival Cattle and Goat Show
- Trash Pick-up

“ The Texas Rice Festival goat show was a big hit, we had fun with getting our goats ready for the show. Mud was everywhere, so keeping the goats clean was a tough job. I placed 8th place, Tyler Enloe placed 2nd place, Kelli Cockerel got 10th place, and Lacey Lewis got 7th place. When you see them please tell them Congratulations.”

~Jacob Williams



“On September 30th our West Hardin Welding Team competed at a competition at LIT. Our students tried their best and did very well. Jacob Cotton finished 1st place out of 93; he won a belt buckle. Congratulations to him! Garrett Fant was 11th, Shawn Anciso was 22nd,

Ben Miller was 25th, and Cody Ferguson was 36th. Congratulations to all of the students on the WH Welding Team!”

~ Clayton Werner



“On October 3, 2009 the West Hardin FFA Officers went to the Rice Festival. We received a plaque in Honor of our former AG. Teacher, Mr. Dennis Freeman. The plaque reads “*Our love and appreciation to the Dennis Freeman Family for the continuous support of the Texas Rice Festival throughout the years.*” The officer who received the award were Jacob Williams, Jordan Free, Rachel Oswald, and Richie Snider.”

~ Richie Snider



“Recently, we had the Fresh Country Sale; we sold candles, meat & cookies; like we do every year. Several students participated in the Sale. 22 students sold 15 or more items so their FFA dues were paid. 11 students got a hat for selling 25 items. 7 students sold 30 items for an FFA shirt. Then 4 students sold 50 or more items so they got an FFA jacket or a hoodie.

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The top seller for the Fresh Country sale was Ariel Ridge. We are very proud of the outcome of this sale.”

~ Rachel Oswalt

Abby McCoy showed her Beefmaster heifers at the Texas Rice Festival on Friday October 2nd. She won 1st place with one of her heifers and 2nd place with the other.

“ On Saturday September 26th we had our 1st Trash Pick-Up of 4 that we do throughout the year. Our FFA does this to help out the community and receive community service hours. For Seniors or other looking to go to college it is a good thing to participate in because it looks good on resume’s. We started at 7 am and it lasted about 4 hours. We had 13 members come and participate. We greatly appreciate all the help we received.”

~ Emily Slankard



“On September 21st a few FFA members went to the Texas A&M Extensions Research Center. This was West Hardin’s 1st time to participate in Rice Judging. We had no idea what we were going to learn about. When we got there we thought it was going to be very boring to sit and talk about nothing but rice, but there was actually a lot more to it than that. There are many bugs that can either hurt or improve your rice quality. Then on September 28th we went and competed against other schools and are still waiting on the results.”

~ Jordan Free



Upcoming Events:

- Wildlife Contest—Oct. 8th
- FFA Dues are due (\$15)—Oct. 15th
- FFA Meeting @ 7 pm—Oct. 15th
- Chicken orders due for Beaumont—Oct. 15th
- Hardin County Show—Oct 14-17
- Young Farmers Meeting @ 6 pm—Oct. 19th
- Trash Pick up @ 7 am—Oct. 24th
- Entry deadline for Beaumont—Oct. 28th
- Houston and Ft. Worth entries due—Oct. 30th
- Dist. LDE @ Dayton 3:00 pm—Nov. 4th
- Area LDE @ SFA—Nov. 18th
- Thanksgiving Holiday—Nov. 23-29th

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