

Letter from the Youth Agriculture Program Manager

Hi ya'll ! It's Stock Show time!!!

Welcome to the 2010 Kendall County Fair Labor Day Livestock Show!!!

When the County Fair first began families gathered in town to share stories, recipes, display hand crafts and homemade goods. Another big part of that day was bringing in your prized livestock to show off to your neighbors and friends. Everyone thought their animal was worthy of that blue ribbon given as first prize. This year we are proudly continuing that 105 year old tradition. The modern Stock Show has evolved into a prominently youth event. Thousands of youth across the State of Texas participate every year by raising animals for 4H and FFA projects. These animals are taken to shows of all sizes to compete for cash, prizes, scholarships and blue ribbons as well those bragging rights. The Youth Agricultural Program was established to help keep the youth involved by giving them more avenues to show off their hard work. We offer steer and heifer show as well as lamb, market goat and swine shows. The participants are competing for Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion. Prizes of trophies, cash and belt buckles are awarded to the best animals in the show! The Showmanship competition allows the youth to be graded on their abilities to handle their livestock. The winners of these events are also awarded buckle buckles. The Stock Show is funded by donations from the community. Area businesses and individual make thousands of dollars in contribution yearly to fund the awards and the show! Those sponsors are our heroes! Those sponsors help us to carry out our goals of keeping the agricultural traditions of Kendall County alive and well!

We would love to personally invite everyone to stop by the Stock Show which is held in the blue barn at the front of the fairground Saturday and Sunday starting at 8 am. We are usually done by 5 pm so that still leaves the evening to enjoy the Rodeo & Carnival plus the many other events and exhibits that are happening. Come see the tradition as it lives on in the hearts of our area youth!!!!

See ya at the fair!!

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