

Plan to come enjoy food, games, entertainment, 4-H events, competition, exhibits, parade—all scheduled during Perkins County's Fair the week of July 22-27.

By Jan Rahn

Managing Editor

A new event is planned for the Perkins County Fair.

"Decorate A Hat" silent auction sponsored by Perkins County 4-H Council will take the place of the birdhouse silent auction from past years.

Youth ages 5-18 are invited to take part in this fun new event. Entrants need not be a 4-H member.

Decorated hat entries will be accepted from 9-11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 24 in the 4-H exhibit building.

Bidding on the hats for the silent auction will be accepted until noon on Saturday, July 27.

The bidders who win will be announced after the 4-H awards presentation ceremony in the dance hall which takes place at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday.

4-H'ers have many events to choose from and be involved in at this year's fair scheduled from July 22-27.

Here are some of the highlights for 4-H youth.

4-H Schedule of Events

- Wednesday July 17:

9 a.m. 4-H clothing/style judging day at Grant United Methodist Church (for exhibitors and parents/leaders only).

- Tuesday, July 23:

9 a.m. 4-H horse show.

- Wednesday, July 24:

9-11 a.m. 4-H static entries.

11:30 a.m. 4-H small animal, poultry and rabbit show.

5-8 p.m. 4-H livestock check-in.

- Thursday, July 25:

8 a.m. 4-H swine, sheep, goat, llama show.

1 p.m. 4-H rocket launch.

7 p.m. 4-H style review.

- Friday, July 26:

8 a.m. 4-H beef show.

- Saturday, July 27:

11 a.m.-1 p.m. 4-H teens barbecue.

1:30 p.m. 4-H awards presentation.

1:45 p.m. Council fundraiser auction.

4 p.m. 4-H livestock sale.

More 4-H Fair Fun

4-H'ers can take part in other events during the week also.

On Thursday, July 25, a livestock judging contest/clinic takes place at 1:30 p.m.

Friday features a carcass contest at 10 a.m., a livestock obstacle course at 1 p.m., and a livestock round robin at 2 p.m.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, fairgoers can enjoy playing bingo in the open air breezeway connecting the dance hall and exhibit building.

Other Activities

- Movie: On Wednesday evening the movie will be shown at the fairgrounds, ["Madagascar 3" sponsored by Adams Bank and Trust and Bullock Long Funeral Home] beginning at dusk.
 - Free Breakfast: Chamber will host a pancake breakfast at 6 a.m. on Thursday, July 25.
 - Inflatable Carnival: On Thursday July 25, the fair board will sponsor an inflatable carnival from 5-10 p.m. Those bringing in two canned good items will be admitted free. The carnival will be open on Friday evening 5-10 p.m. and Saturday from 2-10 p.m.
 - Garden Club will host a public tea on Friday at 10 a.m. when the exhibit building opens.
 - On Friday at 2 p.m., kids races will take place at the fairgrounds and sidewalk chalk drawings are invited in front of downtown businesses.
 - At 3 p.m. on Friday, youngsters compete in a tractor pedal pull and teenagers can participate in mud volleyball.
 - Friday evening's entertainment is a mentalist from 6-7:30 p.m.
 - Tough truck competition takes place from 7:30-9:30 Friday, July 26.
 - On Saturday, the day kicks off with a color run hosted by the Perkins County Schools cheerleaders.
 - Saturday's parade, "Heroes and Legends" begins at 10 a.m.
 - In the afternoon at 3:45 p.m. the fair board will present awards.
 - FFA Farm Olympics and corn eating contest take place in front of the grandstand at 4:30 p.m.
- Saturday.
- The annual demolition derby begins at 6 p.m.
 - Youth can dance from 9-midnight; adults can dance to "Raising Cain" and enjoy a beer garden from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.