



Donley County 4-H FAMILY Newsletter August 2014

Enrollment Policy for 2014-15

Enrollment policy as per the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program Rules and Guidelines

• Each young person wishing to be part of a 4-H Club will be required to pay a participation fee before being granted membership status. Participation fees are set at \$20 per member for each member for those enrolling between September 1, 2014 to October 31, 2014. Beginning on November 1, 2014 for the continuation of the 4-H year, the participation fee will be \$25.

Enrollment Swimming Party

It's already time to get enrolled for the new 4-H year! We will have a swimming party and hot dog feed at the Clarendon Country Club on Tuesday August 19th from 5:00-7:00 PM. Bring friends, parents and 4-H participation fee of \$20.00 per member and have a great time with new and old 4-H friends!! *The first meeting will be held on September 2nd at 6:30 in the DCAC.*



2014-2015 Donley County Club Officers:

President-Kati Adams

1st Vice President-Blaine Ellis

2nd Vice President- Clint Franks

3rd Vice President- Jencie Hernandez

Secretary- Alysse Simpson

Parliamentarian-Darcie Hunsaker

Reporter- Madison Smith

Greeter-Laney Gates

New officer training will be scheduled by Leonard to discuss the duties of each office held and their responsibility and duties to the 4-H club. Leonard will inform each officer with a phone call on the time and date of this training.



Congratulations to the incoming officers of the Donley County 4-H. The club members, parents and community look forward to your leadership and guidance throughout the upcoming year!

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Tri State Fair Amarillo

Livestock Exhibitor Deadlines



Livestock exhibitors who plan to exhibit Steer, Swine, Lamb and Goat projects at the Tri State Fair will need to come by the office and fill out an entry form and pay by August 8, 2014!!

Livestock show schedule of events is available on their web site at www.tristatefair.com or come by the office for a complete schedule.

Tri State Fair Contests Available

Many more Tri State Fair contests are available. A few that may be of interest are Photography, Dessert Competition, Clothing and Textiles, Food and Nutrition, Arts and Crafts along with many others. Come by and talk to Leonard if you are interested in participating. For more details about the contests, go to the Tri State fair website www.tristatefair.com.



Texas State Fair in Dallas

Livestock exhibitors who plan to exhibit Steer and Swine projects at the State Fair in Dallas will need to come by the office and fill out an entry form and pay by **August 18, 2014!!**

For a copy of the rules and a complete schedule of events you can go to their web site at www.bigtex.com



Lamb, Goat and Swine Tag Validation Orders

If you plan to exhibit any of the following species at a major show (Fort Worth, San Antonio, San Angelo or Houston) you will need to purchase a State Validation Tag. The cost of the tags is \$10 each.

<u>Lamb & Goat Tag orders are Due August 26th</u> <u>Swine Tag orders are due in September</u>

If you only plan to show at the County Livestock Show you do not need to order a tag. We will use a county tag. All county and major lambs, goats and heifers will need to be purchased and validated by October 31^{st.} All swine projects will need to be purchased by November 30th. Scheduled validation times will be announced at a later date.



Congratulations to all 4-H members who completed a Record Book! It is a great accomplishment! Jodee Pigg received 1* Place with his entry in Junior Beef again this year! Chardy Craft won 1* Place in Intermediate Food & Nutrition. Hannah Hommel received 2nd Place with her Intermediate Clothing & Textiles book., , and Izzy Craft won 2nd Place with her Junior Food & Nutrition book. Koyt Tucek placed 4th with his Junior Swine entry. Super job to you all!!

4-H Banquet

All 4-H members will be recognized with a year pin & project participation certificate when they attend the Donley County 4-H Banquet. In addition, eligible 4-H members can apply for the Gold (seniors), Silver (intermediates) or Bronze (juniors) Star Awards. These awards are open to anyone wishing to apply, but members who completed a record book will take precedence over others. 4-H members will also be eligible for the I Dare You Award (13 years or older), Rookie Male & Female of the Year, and Outstanding Young 4-H Member Award (10-13 years of age). Applications for these awards are available in the office and must be completed and returned to the office by September 2nd. **The Banquet date will be in September Newsletter.** This event recognizes each 4-H member for their participation along with adult leaders and volunteers for their support and involvement with 4-H. This is a special event that all 4-H members and their families are encouraged to attend. For more information contact Leonard Haynes at 874-2141.



Hard Work Pays Off Again! Thanks 4-H Members and Parents!!

The 4th of July was once again a successful event for our 4-H Club! The Cherry Limeade Booth brought in \$446. We also rented out 43 booth spaces at the Arts & Crafts Fair. The Donley County 4-H float won 1st Place in the parade receiving a \$100 award and the 4-H Club will receive \$500 from the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association for cleaning up the rodeo grounds after each performance of the rodeo. All these funds generated will go towards offsetting the costs of contest fees, the awards banquet, training material costs, etc. Leonard would like to thank all the parents and 4-H members who helped make this event so successful!!

D1 Horse Show Results

Brenna and Brandalyn Ellis along with Kolt Stevenson competed in the District 1 Horse Show held in Dumas this year. Kolt had a big day placing 1st in all three of the 3 Year Old Futurity Classes. He also placed 6th in Cow Boxing, 6th in Poles and 8th in Barrels. Brandalyn placed 5th in the Stock Horse Trail Class. Great job! Brenna, Brandalyn and Blaine will also be competing in the State Horse Show in Abilene.

Fishermen Bring Home Trophy 3rd Year in a Row!

Fifteen club members and four leaders traveled to Mesa Vista Ranch this year to compete in the overnight Fishin N Fun Camp and won the fishing tournament by catching the most fish. Jodee Pigg won the Rookie Award this year. This marks the third consecutive year of Donley 4-H bringing home the traveling trophy! Those attending were Brenna & Brandalyn Ellis, Madison Smith, Hannah Hommel, Tristen & Tyler Harper, Payton & Calder Havens, Koyt Tucek, Clint & Cole Franks, Jodee Pigg, Clay Koetting, Kade Hunsaker and Nick Shadle. Leaders were Guy Ellis, Bret Franks, Aaron Harper and Leonard Haynes.



Get your Texas Hunter Education Certificate in 3 steps.

1. Study the Online Course Material by going to www.hunter-ed.com/texas/

Study the free online course material to provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to learn to be a safe and responsible hunter in Texas. You'll pay a \$24.50 course fee after successfully completing the course.

For hunters ages 17 and up, there is an additional \$5.00 charge for the Hunter Education Certificate, collected on behalf of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Important: You must be at least 9 years old to take the online course.

2. Complete Age-Dependent Certification Requirements

If you are 17 years of age or older, once you've completed all the units in the course, you'll take the Hunter Education Certification Exam. Passing the Hunter Education Certification Exam will complete your Texas Parks and Wildlife Department hunter education requirement.

If you are 9 to 16 years of age, to complete the Texas hunter education requirements, you must pass both the online and Field Day portions of the hunter education course.

3. Receive Your Texas Hunter Education Certificate

If you are 17 years of age or older, after passing the final exam, you'll immediately print out your Temporary Hunter Education Certificate (valid for 90 days). Your permanent Hunter Education Certificate will be mailed to you in 3–4 weeks by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

If you are 9 to 16 years of age, after passing the unit quizzes, you'll immediately print out your Field Day Voucher. After successful completion of the required Field Day, which includes safe firearm techniques and participation in a live-fire exercise, you will receive a "Temporary Student Card" issued by the instructor. Your permanent Hunter Education Certificate will be mailed to you in 3–4 weeks by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.



If you have any questions about activities, projects or need information call the Extension Office at 806-874-2141 or 806-282-7680.

Leonard Haynes, CEA-AG

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