



Donley County 4-H Family Newsletter July 2016



4-H will have the cherry lime booth on July 2nd. We are asking that each 4-H member bring at least one 3-liter bottle of Sprite for this event. Please contact the office if you have any questions on this project and to sign up for your shift to work.

Rodeo Grounds Clean-up

Please come out and help with this club fund raiser! We will be cleaning up the rodeo grounds the day after each performance. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. Saturday AND Sunday July 2nd & 3rd and 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday July 5th. This usually takes less than an hour if we have plenty of help. Call the office to sign up or just show up ready to work!

Mower Raffle

Donley 4-H members are selling raffle tickets for a **John Deere riding mower**. This fundraiser is to help fund the Donley County Activity Center. We are encouraging each 4-H member to sell at least 5 books of tickets. Please come by the Extension Office and pick up your tickets to sell. Tickets are due July 2nd to Leonard by 12PM at Courthouse Lawn. Call Leonard if you have any questions 806-282-7680.

Club Officer Elections 2016-2017

Get your ballots in!! Voting will close July 15th. Results of new club officers will be announced in the August Newsletter.

4-H Livestock Exhibitors and Potential Exhibitors

Anyone who plans to raise and show a livestock project this year is encouraged to let Leonard know so that he can assist you with your needs. If you are not sure what project you would like to show, he is willing to set up a time with you to visit about specific projects. Please do not hesitate to give him a call if you have any questions or need assistance in selecting a project. It is time to be purchasing lamb and goat projects NOW!!!!

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 10, 2016!!**For a copy of the rules and a complete schedule of events you can go to their website at www.bigtex.com

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 entry forms and pay by August 10, 2016!!

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 such as Photography, Dessert Competition, Clothing and Textiles, Food and Nutrition, Arts and Crafts along with many others. For more details about contests you can go to the Tri State fair website at www.tristatefair.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 are \$8 each.

<u>Lamb & Goat Tag orders are due August 18h</u> <u>Swine Tag orders are due September 15th</u>

If you only plan to show at the Donley County 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 31st and all swine projects will need to be purchased by November 30th. Scheduled validation times will be announced at a later date.

There are a couple goat & lamb clinics coming up in Amarillo.

Call the office for details if interested.



4-H Activities & Results

State Roundup

Donley County had 11 members qualify for State Roundup. They competed at the Texas A&M campus June 6-8. The Beef Quiz Bowl team of Blaine Ellis, Taylor Shaller, Caton Grahn and Joseph Watson placed 2nd overall! The Beef Quiz team of Hannah Hommel, Clint Franks, Kade Hunsaker and Ryan Ward also competed along with the Horse Quiz Bowl team of Brandalyn Ellis, Emily Johnson and Payton Havens. Brandalyn also competed in the Horse Judging contest. Way to go members and coaches!!

County Camp

Nine members attended county camp day at Caprock Canyon State Park on June 22nd. They participated in kayaking, fishing, painting and team building skills. Those attending were Parker & Grant Haynes, Presley & Madison Smith, Kreed & Emeri Robinson, Jayde Gribble, Kaendan Moffett and Koyt Tucek.

Fish N Fun

Several 4-H members attended Fish N Fun held at Mesa Vista Ranch June 13th & 14th where they were able to win the tournament and bring back the traveling trophy. Members surviving the middle-of-the-night trips to the storm shelter were Blaine, Brandalyn & Brenna Ellis, Kade Hunsaker, Clay Koetting, Clint Franks, Payton & Calder Havens, Hannah Hommel, Easton Goodpasture, Laney Gates, Grant & Parker Haynes, Taylee Ehlert, Koyt Tucek, and Bryce Williams. Thanks to the adult volunteers Guy Ellis, Neil Koetting, Lon & Kati Adams and Chad & Laura Hommel!

D1 Horse Show



District 1 Horse Show was held in Amarillo on June 24th. Brandalyn, Brenna and Blaine Ellis were our members competing there. Brandalyn and Blaine competed in the Ranch Sorting and Brenna placed in the following Junior Divisions; Barrels 10th, Poles 6th and Stakes 8th while Brandalyn placed in the following Senior Divisions; Barrels 4th, Poles 1st and Stakes 3th. The girls will be competing in the upcoming State 4-H Horse Show in July.

Brandalyn was also accepted into the Equine Ambassador Program and attended it this week!

Archers To the Line!

Donley County 4H has started an Archery Shooting Sports Program for our youth. Archery is one of the fastest growing programs within 4H and the number of youth participating is growing each month. Donley 4-H Archery Program is more than just shooting arrows, it is an opportunity for our youth to experience something new and learn life lessons. We will discuss the 4-H pledge and motto and learn how to live those out in archery and how those lessons carry over into daily life, while having an incredibly fun time. Donley 4-H has certified archery coach, Kirk Watson, and junior coach, Joseph Watson, who are prepared to guide our youth in the thrilling sport of archery. Archery Program Enrollment will be \$30 per student and will cover the remainder of the summer and the 2016/2017 year. It is time to SHOOT! *All participants must be accompanied by an adult.

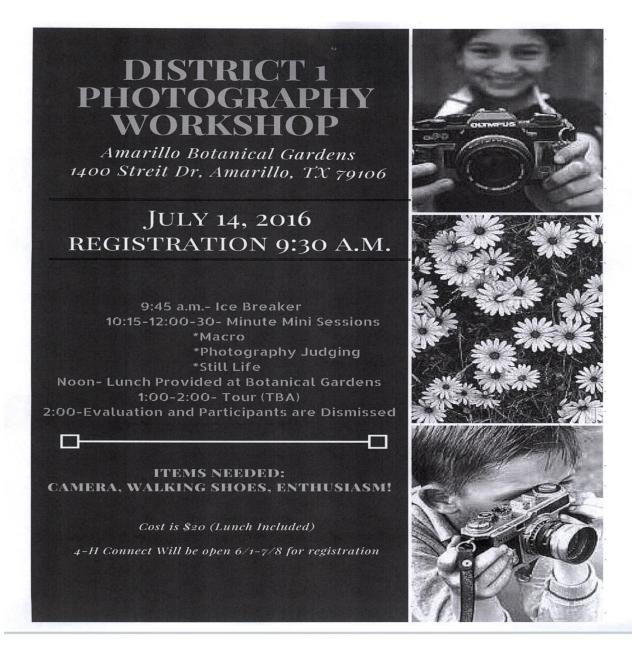
Practices will be at Donley County Activity Center and have been set up for the following dates: **Tuesdays** -- July 12 & 26 and **Thursday** July 21 $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$ Grades at 6:30 p.m. & $7^{th} - 12^{th}$ Grades at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday Morning – July 16^{th} $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$ Grades at 9:00 a.m. & $7^{th} - 12^{th}$ Grades at 10:00 a.m.

***Students may use their own equipment after safety inspection is completed by archery coach but we will have a limited amount available for use.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Leonard Haynes at 806-874-2141 or Archery Shooting Sports Coach, Kirk Watson at 806-441-5121.

Call the office by July 8th if you would like to attend this camp! The D1 Photography Contest deadline is July 21st.



If you have any questions about camps, projects or activities or need information please call the EXTENSION OFFICE at 806-874-2141.

Leonard Haynes, CEA-AG/NR

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