



# **Donley County 4-H Family Newsletter MAY 2016**

No May Meeting- Pick up geraniums May 4<sup>th</sup>



Clover Kids will have an End of the Year party on May 11<sup>th</sup> at DCAC from 4-5!!

## **Geranium Fund Raiser**

Sales were up this year so we had a good geranium sale and this will help pay for our annual banquet, needed equipment, and help pay our fees for the many contests our members enter throughout the year. Top seller earning a \$50 prize this year was Harrison Howard who sold \$825 and Hannah Hommel was second winning \$30. She sold \$706 while Levi & Laney Gates sold \$633 and won the \$20 prize for third place in sales. We had 23 families sell plants this year (compared to 14 last year) and hope to increase that number next year! Thanks to everyone for all your hard work!!

**DON'T FORGET TO PICK THEM UP MAY 4<sup>th</sup> AFTER SCHOOL!**

**State Round-up is June 6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> !**



## **4-H Club Officer Nominations**

If you would like to be nominated for 4-H Club officer please contact the office and let us know which office or offices you would like to be nominated for. Ballots will go out in the June Newsletter. **\*Club officers are extremely important and you must be able to fulfill the duty assigned to the office you hold. If you cannot commit to the responsibilities of being an officer, please decline 4-H office nomination by calling the office! Meetings will continue to be on the first Tuesday of the month so keep this in mind also.**

### **Nominations:**

**President:** Tanner Burch, Chardy Craft, Darcy Grahn, Taylor Shaller, Payton Havens, Jodee Pigg, Brandalyn Ellis, Clint Franks

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Hadleigh Halsell, Madison Smith, Jayde Gribble, Calder Havens, Koyt Tucek, Malerie Simpson, Taylor Shaller, Caton Grahn, Clint Franks

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Chardy Craft, Jenci Hernandez, Brandalyn Ellis, Taylor Halsell, Emeri Robinson, Caton Grahn

**Secretary:** Darcy Grahn, Brenna Ellis, Harrison Howard, Jaxan McAnear, Hadleigh Halsell, Josh Dunn, Brandalyn Ellis

**Parliamentarian:** Malerie Simpson, Caton Grahn, Emeri Robinson, Laney Gates, Brenna Ellis, Clint Franks

**Reporter:** Tanner Burch, Taylor Halsell, Laney Gates, Calder Havens, Jodee Pigg, Levi Gates, Mycah Woodard

**Greeter:** Mycah Woodard, Jodee Pigg, Darcy Grahn, Grant Haynes, Taylor Halsell, Jaxan McAnear

Ballots will be returned and counted and the results will be announced in the July or August Newsletter.

Contact the office at 806-874-2141 to add your name to the ballot for any office you would like to run for or to remove your name from the ballot.



## Summer 4-H Camps

### PACK YOUR BAGS FOR CAMP



There are many camps 4-H has to offer its members during the summer. Camp is great fun with 4-H members from other towns and an exciting way to meet new people that have the same interest as you. 4-H Camps are filled with activities such as swimming, games, and leadership activities. If you have any questions about the camps listed, contact Leonard at 806-874-2141. He will be happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Enjoy the summer and have a great time at 4-H camp!



**\*Fish N Fun-** June 13-14 ALL 4-Her's invited. Mesa Vista Ranch, Pampa, TX. Registration is limited to first 100 kids. Hurry and call the office to get signed up! Registration opens May 9<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$35. Any parents wishing to go have to have a current screening.

**\*Photography Camp-** July 14<sup>th</sup> at WT in Canyon. Ages 9-18. Deadline is May 27<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$20.

**\*District 1 4-H Leader Retreat** -June 16-17, registration closes June 3<sup>rd</sup>. All senior aged (14 & up) 4-H members are encouraged to attend the Leader Retreat Camp. Cost is \$150.

**\*County Camp-** TBA at Caprock Canyon with kayaking, fishing, buffalo sighting, crafts and much more! All members welcome including Clover Kids. Cost is \$15.



**\*Power Camp-** June 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> in Cloudcroft, New Mexico. Deadline is June 21<sup>st</sup>. Age 13 and up. Recreation, leadership, electrical and environmental workshops. Cost is \$175

**\*Clothing Camp-** Will be announced in the fall.



### **Bows & Arrows.... Who wants to hit the mark?**

Donley County 4H is starting an Archery Shooting Sports Program for our youth. The Archery Shooting Sports Program is one of the fastest growing programs in the state. Donley County has just certified a new archery coach, Kirk Watson and junior coach, Joseph Watson. After our initial announcement, we have had over 20 students step forward that are interested in the program. With archery, the number of youth participating is growing each month. This affords 4H the opportunity to positively influence our next generation. 4H's motto is: "To Make the Best Better." In 4H we focus our efforts toward guiding youth in life through our Pledge: *I pledge: My Head to clearer thinking, My Heart to greater loyalty, My Hands to larger service, and My Health to better living, For my club, my community, my country, and my world. ...* Archery is among the avenues by which we endeavor to grow these young people. We are in the process of acquiring equipment to launch this program. We are NOT encouraging students to go out and buy equipment prior to giving the program a try. If you have equipment, there is a good probability that you may use it. We will be having an introductory information and demonstration meeting soon. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact our Donley County Extension Agent, Leonard Haynes ([l-haynes@tamu.edu](mailto:l-haynes@tamu.edu)) or at 806-874-2141 or our Archery Shooting Sports Coach, Kirk Watson ([pastorkirk.watson@gmail.com](mailto:pastorkirk.watson@gmail.com)) or at 806-441-5121.

### **4-H Judges have been busy!**

District 1 Traveling Trophy Horse Judging Contest was held Friday, April 1 at WTAMU Equine Center in Canyon. Donley 4-H took three Junior Division Teams and two Senior Division Individuals along with their coach, Robin Ellis. Junior Division Team Placings: Donley Team 1 placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and members of that team are Malerie Simpson, Darcie Hunsaker, Calder Havens and Tanner Burch. Donley 3 placed 5<sup>th</sup> overall and members of that team are Laney Gates, Josh Dunn, Jayde Gribble and Bryce Williams. Donley 2 placed 12<sup>th</sup> and members are Hadleigh Halsell, Mycah Woodard and Brenna Ellis. Individual results: M. Simpson 4<sup>th</sup>, Gates 11<sup>th</sup>, Dunn 15<sup>th</sup>, Hunsaker 16<sup>th</sup>, Halsell 20<sup>th</sup>, Gribble 20<sup>th</sup>, Havens 25<sup>th</sup>, Burch 37<sup>th</sup>, Woodard 41<sup>st</sup>, Williams 50<sup>th</sup> and Ellis 51<sup>st</sup>. Competing in the Senior Division were Alysse Simpson and Brandalyn Ellis. Brandalyn was 2<sup>nd</sup> High Individual and Alysse placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

Clarendon College Invitational Judging Contest was held Saturday, April 2. Junior Division Horse Judging Team placings: Donley Team 1 placed 5<sup>th</sup> overall and members are Tanner Burch, Darcie Hunsaker, Calder Havens and Malerie Simpson. Donley Team 2 placed 7<sup>th</sup> and members were Josh Dunn, Bryce Williams and Mycah Woodard. Individual results: Burch 8<sup>th</sup>, Hunsaker 9<sup>th</sup>, Woodard 16<sup>th</sup>, Havens and Dunn 19<sup>th</sup>, M. Simpson 23<sup>rd</sup> and Williams 27<sup>th</sup>. In the Senior Division, the team of Brandalyn Ellis and Alysse Simpson placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall and as individuals, Ellis 5<sup>th</sup> and A. Simpson 7<sup>th</sup>. Junior Division Livestock Judging Team placings: Donley Team 1 placed 10<sup>th</sup> and members are Jodee Pigg, Brock Hatley, Koyt Tucek and Clay Ward. Donley Team 2 placed 14<sup>th</sup> and members are Levi Gates, Grant Haynes, Taylee Ehlert and Maloree Wann. Individual Overall placings; Pigg 9<sup>th</sup>, Gates 42<sup>nd</sup>, Haynes 47<sup>th</sup>, Hatley 49<sup>th</sup>, Tucek 81<sup>st</sup>, Ehlert 84<sup>th</sup>, Wann and Ward 96<sup>th</sup> and Taylor Shaller 115<sup>th</sup>.

## **D1 Horse Judging Contest**

Donley 4-H members competed in the District Horse Judging Contest at WT on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

They did well and our Senior Division girls, Brandalyn Ellis and Alysse Simpson get to advance on to State Roundup! Brandalyn was the top ranked individual and Alysse placed 3<sup>rd</sup>. In the overall team placings, the Intermediate team of Hadleigh Halsell, Mycah Woodard and Brenna Ellis placed 4<sup>th</sup> while Darcie Hunsaker, Tanner Burch, Calder Havens and Malerie Simpson placed 5<sup>th</sup> as a team. The Junior team of Laney Gates, Jayde Gribble, Bryce Williams and Josh Dunn placed 2<sup>nd</sup>. A big thanks to coach Robin Ellis!

## **D1 SPRING ROUNDUP**

Several contests were held during the District 1 Spring Roundup and we had 23 members compete in 4 different events. They all had lots of fun and represented our club well!

### **Livestock Judging Results**

The District 1 4-H Livestock Judging Contest was held during the Spring Roundup on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at WTAMU Nance Ranch and Donley County 4-H had 15 members compete. The results for the Junior Division follow: Sheep & Goat Class- Taylee Ehlert 3<sup>rd</sup> Individual and the team of Levi Gates, Grant Haynes and Taylee Ehlert placed 4<sup>th</sup>. In the Swine Class the team of Grant, Levi and Taylee placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and as individuals Taylee 4<sup>th</sup> and Levi 9<sup>th</sup>. In the Beef Class the team of Maloree Wann, Kennady Waldrop and Hailey Wilson tied for 4<sup>th</sup> with the other Donley team of Taylee, Levi and Grant. As individuals, Grant was 4<sup>th</sup> and Kennady was 5<sup>th</sup>. Overall, Taylee Ehlert was the highest scoring Individual placing 1<sup>st</sup> and Grant placed 10<sup>th</sup>. The team of Taylee, Grant and Levi placed 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall in the contest. In the Intermediate Division, Calder Havens placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Beef Class with Brock Hatley placing 9<sup>th</sup> and the team of Madison Smith, Grayson Waldrop, Jodee Pigg and Brock Hatley placing 4<sup>th</sup>. In Reasons, Grayson Waldrop placed 8<sup>th</sup> and Clay Ward placed 10<sup>th</sup>. Overall, Calder Havens placed 5<sup>th</sup>. Koyt Tucek also competed in this division. Competing in the Senior Division were Ryan Ward and Caton Grahn.

### **Dudz to Dazzle**

Donley County 4-H had 7 members compete in the Dudz to Dazzle Contest in which teams were given a discarded garment or textile item to redesign and repurpose into a new consumer product with a "closet" of additional materials that could be incorporated into their item. After completion, each team then presented their finished item to the panel of judges with each member having a speaking part in their presentation. The team of Laney Gates, Kennadie Cummins, Maloree Wann and Makenna Shadle placed 1<sup>st</sup> with their pillow made from a white shirt and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place team was Mycah Woodard, Jayde Gribble and Tandie Cummins with their scarf also made from a white shirt.

### Consumer Decision Making

Four members of Donley 4-H competed in the Consumer Decision Making Contest after completing the Consumer Education Project led by Lindy Craft. This project taught members how to compare prices, test for quality and make purchases based on facts and research that will help them improve their money management and decision making skills.

Our team placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the contest and members were Izzy Craft, Laney Gates, Hailey Wilson and Jayde Gribble.

### Fashion Show

Jayde Gribble and Laney Gates both competed in the District Fashion Show and both placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in their categories. Jayde competed with her handmade skirt that she modeled and Laney went down the runway wearing the swimsuit and cover-up that she stitched.

Both girls used skills they learned in the Clothing and Textiles Project led by Laura Hommel this year.

## **WAY TO GO MEMBERS!!**



### Record Books

**Record Books will soon be due! The deadline to turn them in to the county office is June 30<sup>th</sup>. The forms can be found on the district website at <http://d14-h.tamu.edu/>**

### Reminder for Goat Exhibitors

**Just a reminder for all goat exhibitors of the rule posted in last June's newsletter stating that ALL GOATS MUST BE PERMANANTLY DEHORNED! This is a common goat producer practice that is done when the goat is 6-8 weeks old. It is very stressful for the animal if this is done at an older age and Leonard WILL NOT remove them for you! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Leonard.**



**Congratulations to our  
graduating seniors  
Blaine, Alysse and Kelsey!  
Best of Luck to you!**



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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