

Donley County 4-H Family Newsletter

October 2016

Donley County 4-H will meet October 4, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Donley County Activity Center.

Clover Kids

All kids in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are welcome at Clover Kids! They meet the second Wednesday of each month during the school year. There is NOT a charge for Clover Kids but there is lots of fun! Grab a friend and let's get going! First meeting will be October 12th from 4-5 at Donley County Activity Center. Contact Leonard with any questions on Clover Kids!!!



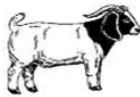
National 4-H Week is October 3rd - 8th!!!



ONE DAY 4-H is a day when 4-H clubs around the state give back to their communities. At our last meeting we voted to have a school supply drive for the Louisiana flood victims. Please bring your donations to the office by October 7th.

Beef & Horse Quiz Bowls

Quiz Bowl practices have begun if you signed up for either Beef or Horse Quiz Bowl. Practices will be scheduled by individual leaders who will be contacting those who signed up. 4-H members will not only need to study questions at practice but also at home prior to quiz bowl practice so dig out your practice questions from last year! The District Roundup will be held at West Texas A&M on November 5th. If you would like to participate but did not sign up, please call the office.



4-H Livestock Projects



Potential 4-H livestock exhibitors who are interested in raising and showing a livestock project at the Donley County or major livestock shows (Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio, Austin or San Angelo) need to let Leonard know soon so he may assist you in selecting an animal to show. Time is limited on purchasing show projects. All livestock projects must be purchased and validated by the state and county ownership deadlines: Market Lambs & Goats- October 31, 2016; Commercial Heifers- October 31, 2016; Market Swine- November 30, 2016.

*****Attention ALL Stock Show Participants****

Livestock exhibitors that intend to show at Major Livestock Shows are **REQUIRED** to be certified in the *Quality Counts Program* that addresses quality assurance and ethics while exhibiting and raising livestock show projects. Training and testing project meeting will be held on **October 19th at 6:00 pm** at the Donley County Activity Center. Exhibitors that cannot attend this event will need to visit with Leonard about other training and testing options. Exhibitors who have been previously certified are exempt unless they were junior aged when they completed certification and have moved into high school. If you have a school computer, please bring it! ***All exhibitors must be certified before entering any major stock shows or their entries CANNOT and WILL NOT be accepted!!**



County & Major Show Lamb, Goat & Heifer Validation

Donley County 4-H and FFA lamb, goat and heifer validation for County and Major Livestock shows will be held ***OCTOBER 25th*** from 4-6 PM at the Clarendon FFA Ag Farm. If you plan to exhibit a lamb, goat or heifer at the county show or at any major show, you must tag in your animal on this date! The *exhibitor and a parent* must be present at this time! If anyone needs assistance transporting their animal please contact Leonard at 806-874-2141 or 806-282-7680.

Archers to the Line!

4H Archery is a great program for youth in 3rd through 12th grades. It is amazingly fun for the students as well as parents. This program is designed to develop youth and uses the sport of Archery as its avenue. Students learn to use their bodies and minds to develop new skills to be successful. Along with minds and bodies, they develop character as individuals as they interact with other students and adults. There are opportunities that can last a life time in the sport of Archery and the 4H Archery Program is a great way to get introduced to the sport. Students do not have to own their own equipment. All they have to do is show up and be willing to listen and learn. After some brief instruction, students are given the opportunity to shoot. As the student's proficiency increases, new skills are introduced to hone their shooting.

It is time to SHOOT!

Practices for

October have not been set yet, but all interested persons will be contacted with information on when a date has been selected. Practices are held at DCAC.

*****Parents must accompany students to all practices*****

\$\$\$\$ Archery Program Enrollment will be \$30 per student and will cover the 2016/2017 year.

If archery sounds like something you might like to try, please contact Archery Coach, Kirk Watson @ 806-441-5121 or Leonard Haynes @ 806-874-2141.

Food & Nutrition Dates

October 11- meeting

October 18- County Food Show

October 25- meeting

November 4th - District Food Show @ WT

November 5th - District Food Challenge @ WT

All meetings are at 4:30 at the Donley County Activity Center.





Tri State Fair Results

A big “congratulations” goes out to the Donley County 4-H members that participated in the Tri State Fair! Textiles, Culinary, Horse Show, Livestock Judging, Sheep, Swine and Beef Projects were contests that our 4-H members participated in.

Food: **Izzy Craft-** 1st Place chocolate chip cookies, 3rd Place mints; **Chardy Craft-** 1st Place & “Best of Show” shortbread cookies; **Laney Gates-** 3rd Place snickerdoodles; **Levi Gates-** 1st Place brownies, entered cornbread muffins

Textiles & Crafts- **Hannah Hommel-** “Best of Show” canvas painting, 1st Place embroidery, 3rd Place wood craft art; **Jayde Gribble-** 2nd Place framed art

Market Steers: **Hannah Hommel-** 4th Place Class 25 Cross; **Grant Haynes-** 1st Place Class 6 Shorthorn, 4th Place Class 21 Cross; **Jaxan McAnear-** 5th Place Class 6 Shorthorn; **Koyt Tucek-** 5th Place Class 7 Shorthorn, 8th Place Class 17 Cross, 4th Place Class 20 Cross; **Brock Hatley-** 7th Place Class 19 Cross; **Tristen Harper-** 8th Place Class 9 American, 8th Place Class 11 American; **Madison Smith-** 9th Place Class 9 American; **Tyler Harper-** 9th Place Class 13 Cross; **Presley Smith-** 12th Place Class 13 Cross

Barrow Show: **Calder Havens-** 6th Place Class 9 Black OPB; **Hannah Hommel-** 3rd Place Class 10 Black OPB, 3rd Place Class 11 Black OPB

Market Lambs: **Madison & Presley Smith** both showed

Market Goats: **Izzy Craft-** 2nd Place Med Wt; **Chardy Craft-** 5th Place Hvy Wt

Livestock Judging- 3rd Place Team: **Taylee Ehlert, Kennady Waldrop, Tyler Harper, Grayson Waldrop;** 9th Place Team: **Grant Haynes, Levi Gates, Calder Havens, Laney Gates;** 10th Place Team: **Brock Hatley, Parker Haynes, Jodee Pigg, Koyt Tucek**
Top 25 Individuals: **Brock Hatley** 4th, **Taylee Ehlert** 9th, **Levi Gates** 17th, **Grant Haynes** 23rd

Horse Show: **Brandalyn Ellis-** 1st & 2nd Place Ranch Sorting Teams, 2nd Barrel Racing; **Brenna Ellis-** 2nd Place Ranch Sorting Team, 4th Barrel Racing



2015-16 4-H Banquet Award Winners

One hundred four 4-H members, parents and guests were here to enjoy the evening of fun and food and to help honor the hard work of our members, leaders and volunteers. Leonard and the current officers led the event and awarded many with the following honors:

Rookie of the Year Female – Hailey Wilson

Rookie of the Year Male- Bryce Williams

Gold Star Award- Clint Franks & Hannah Hommel

Silver Star Award- Laney Gates & Grayson Waldrop

Bronze Star Award- Kennady Waldrop & Levi Gates

Outstanding Young Female Member- Jayde Gribble

Outstanding Young Male Member- Koyt Tucek

I Dare You Award- Brandalyn Ellis & Joseph Watson

Silver Spur Award- Lindy Craft

Club Manager- Julie Gates

Thanks to you all!!

Check out our website: donley@agrilife.org



“Donley 4-H Club”



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/NR

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