



Donley County Family Newsletter September 2016

4-H Meeting September 13th at 6:30 PM @ DCAC

2016-2017 Donley County Club Officers:

President-Clint Franks

1st Vice President- Caton Grahn

2nd Vice President- Chardy Craft

Secretary- Brandalyn Ellis

Parliamentarian- Malerie Simpson

Reporter-Laney Gates

Greeter-Grant Haynes & Darcy Grahn

"To make the best better"



Come out and meet your new 4-H officers!

YOU MUST BE ENROLLED IN THE NEW YEAR TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY ACTIVITIES!!

Enrollment forms are available at the office. Come by and enroll your 4-H'er for fun activities!

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.

Livestock Projects must be purchased & validated by the State and County Ownership Deadlines:



Market Lambs & Goats- October 31, 2016 Commercial Heifer- October 31, 2016 Market Swine- November 30, 2016



Official Validation times will be announced closer to the ownership deadlines.

Archers To The Line!

The Donley 4-H Archery Program is up and shooting. Shooters are learning and practicing a couple times a month. Coaches Kirk and Joseph Watson are prepared to guide our youth in this thrilling sport. If you are interested in this program, contact the office at 874-2141 or Kirk at 441-5121. The cost for the year is \$30 and equipment is provided or you may use your own after it passes safety inspection. *Parent must accompany student to all practices*

September practice schedule: Thursdays: September 1st & 15th at 6:30

Other dates may be set in addition to these.





Tri State Fair- Amarillo

We are encouraging members to enter photographs, cooking, canned goods, baked goods, clothing & textiles, quilts etc.. Contests you can enter: Karo Corn Syrup Cookie Contest, Spam Contest, Arrowhead Mills Dessert Contest, Abuelos Homemade Salsa. This is just an example of the contests that are available to 4-Her's to enter at the Tri State Fair so come join the fun! Copies of the Fair Book pages pertaining to these contests are available in the office. This will give entry information and rules or you may call Leonard at 874-2141 or 806-282-7680.

Your entries MUST be in our office for these events by NOON September 13th.

Livestock Info:

For a complete schedule of Livestock Show & events visit their web site at www.tristatefair.com

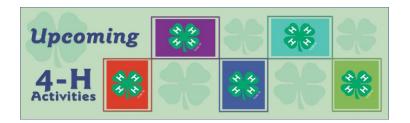
- Market Lambs check in September 16th
- Lamb Show Sept. 17th at 2:00
- Barrows arrival Sept. 17th at 7:00 AM, in place by 3:00
- Barrow Show Sept. 18th at 2:00
- Goat arrival Sept. 18th by 1:00
- Goat Show Sept. 19st at 4:30
- Steer Arrival September 22nd at 10:00, in place by 1:00
- Steer Show September 24th at 8:00 AM



The Tri-State Fair & Rodeo will be conducting a Calf Scramble Scholarship program during the rodeo performances on Sept. 22, 23 and 24 for 4-H and FFA members who are at least 15 years old. Winners will receive a \$250 scholarship after completion of 12 college hours. Deadline to enter is September 15th. Entry forms and more info can be picked up at the Extension office.

Texas State Fair in Dallas

- Swine arrive on October 3rd; show October 4th
- Market Goats arrive October 3rd; show October 5th
- Steers arrive on October 4th; show on October 6th
- All Sales on October 7th





Donley County 4-H Banquet

Our 4-H Banquet is set for September 27th at 7 PM in the Donley County Activity Center. This event recognizes each 4-H and Clover Kid members for their participation along with adult leaders and volunteers for their support and involvement with 4-H during this past year. This is a special event that all 4-H members and their families are encouraged to attend. A pot luck meal of brisket and beans will be provided and families are asked to bring a side dish. Dessert will be provided by your Food and Nutrition Project students. This event will be a rewarding experience!!

** A decoration committee will meet on the evening of the 22nd. Sign-up sheets for this committee will be available at the 4-H meeting.

Please RSVP By September 18th to 806-874-2141

District 1 4-H Roundup

4-H members that are ready to get active in 4-H may want to check out some of the following contests that will be held at District 1 4-H Roundup on November 4th-5th at West Texas A&M.

There will be three Quiz Bowl Contests and Swine or Livestock Skillathon for Junior, Intermediate, and Senior level 4-H members that are specific in the subject matter of Horse, Beef and Swine Sciences. Quiz Bowl contests are team activities that allow 4-H members to broaden their knowledge in subject matter and then practice their expertise in a Jeopardy style game contest. 4-H'ers must choose only one subject to compete in as the contests will all be going on at the same time. There will also be Food Challenge and Food Show Contests along with others! There will be sign-up sheets at the September meeting.

Awards Applications

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 can be picked up at the office or emailed at your request and must be completed and returned by September 5th.

Food and Nutrition News

The Food and Nutrition project will begin this month. This includes Food Show, Food Challenge and Nutrition Quiz Bowl. All meetings will be held at 4:30 at the Donley County Activity

Center. You will receive information on contest dates and we will decide what everyone wants to accomplish this fall. All that participate must be current 4-H members, meaning you must have completed your enrollment form and paid your \$20.00 enrollment fee. If you haven't enrolled yet, you can do so before or at the meeting.

<u>September meeting schedule:</u> Tuesdays September 20th and 27th (making dessert for banquet) at 4:30.

Other dates to remember: *Tri-State Fair is September 16-24 (food & craft entries must be at 4-H office Sept. 12) *Sept. 24th is Junior Cook-off in conjunction with the Charles Goodnight

Chuckwagon Cook-off



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