DENTON COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2022

Commissioner Bobbie Mitchell stopped by LDE "Cheftastics" class to teach students about local government and then the kids showed Commissioner Mitchell what they've been learning

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IMPORTANT DATES

County Public Speaking Contest

March 7th @ 6:30 PM
Extension Office, Rm. 115

Record Book Work Night

April 4th, 3:30-6:30 PM
Extension Office, Rm. 115

District Livestock, Soils, Meats and Entomology Judging

Registration open March 23rd – April 6th, 4HOnline
Contest April 23rd.

District Roundup

Registration March 9th – March 23rd, 4HOnline
Contests April 8th-9th.

District Shooting Sport

Registration March 30th - April 13th, 4HOnline
April 30th

County Record Books

Due May 26th

4-H AGENT PAGE

March is here!

March has always been one of my favorite months. St. Patrick's Day and Spring Break are two of the main reasons! Another reason we are excited for March here in Denton County, it is our youth fair! Good luck to everyone who is competing, it should be a great week.

I also want to give a special thanks to everyone who has been participating in some of our county events and contests. We understand this is a busy time of the year so we appreciate you spending time with us.

Until next time - Steven

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Steven Baringer

4-H & Youth Development Agent

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County Food Show

Allie Holt and McKinnley Rupp did an amazing job at our County Food Show! They show cased their fabulous cooking skills as well as their food & nutrition knowledge!

County Fashion Show & Duds to Dazzle

TyLee Wright and Madie Holland showed off their construction and buying skills at our County Fashion Show!

The Seam Squad then demonstrated their sewing skills and creativity at the Duds to Dazzle contest!

PLA & COUNTY COUNCIL

Every month, the County Council meets one Monday at 6:30 PM. County Council consists of county officers and delegates from each club. The county officers are elected to serve all of Denton County each year. Additionally, each club selects up to two delegates to represent them each month. The role of the club delegate is to serve as a liaison between their club and the county, serve as a voting member of the county council, and update the group monthly on their club's activities.

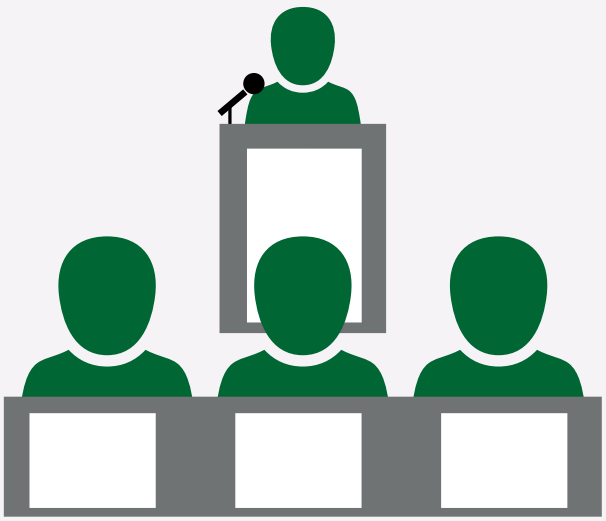
At the same time, our Parent Leaders Association (PLA) meets in a separate room. Any 4-H parent or volunteer is welcomed to join our club and project leaders each month. PLA helps plan events/activities and make decisions in conjunction with the county extension staff that is for all of Denton County 4-H.

If you have any questions about County Council or PLA, please reach out to our 4-H Agent Steven Baringer or PLA President Emily Holt.

Meeting Dates:

March- 28th (Zoom for PLA/No County Council)
April 18th
May 16th

Our March PLA meeting is the week after the county fair. We wanted to have a brief meeting on Zoom to discuss how the fair went. During the April - County Council meeting we will be doing a bylaws review and officer elections during the May meeting.



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Denton County 4-H Shooting Sports

AG LEADERSHIP 4-H

DISCIPLINES: ARCHERY, SHOTGUN, RIFLE & PISTOL

- ARCHERY
  - MEETS 2ND SUNDAY AFTERNOON OF THE MONTH AT THE NORTH TEXAS FAIR GROUND AT 2:00
- SHOTGUN
  - MEETS 3RD SUNDAY AFTERNOON OF THE MONTH AT THE FOSSIL POINTE SPORTING GROUNDS (NEAR DECATUR) AT 2:30
- RIFLE/PISTOL
  - MEETS 4TH SUNDAY AFTERNOON OF THE MONTH AT THE FOSSIL POINTE SPORTING GROUNDS (NEAR DECATUR) AT 2:30
- CONTACT BENJIE TALLEY AT BTALLEY@TEAMLANDMARK.COM

ARGYLE 4-H

DISCIPLINES: PISTOL & RIFLE

- PRACTICES ARE AT EAGLE GUN RANGE IN LEWISVILLE 1ST & 3RD THURSDAY AT 6:00 PM
- COST IS $5 FOR THE SHOOTING RANGE
- CONTACT IS MARK DIETERICH AT DMD5@MINDSPRING.COM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Denton County 4-H
Summer 2022 Dates

- **May 26** County Record Books Due
- **June 1** County Record Book Judging

  *We need at least one volunteer from each club to help us judge
- **June 6-9** Texas 4-H Roundup
- **June 13-17** Farm to Table Camp

  *Flyer to come. Hosted by Denton Parks & Rec for kids (6-11)
- **June 27-29** D4 Ultra Leadership Lab

  *District Camp for senior 4-H members, this year it will be at Camp Copass in Denton!
- **June 30** County Gold Star Awards Due
- **July 12-14** County Clover Kids Camp
- **July 17-20** Texas 4-H Congress
- **July 27** County 4-H Expo

  *This will be a fun night to showcase everything Denton County 4-H has to offer! Save the date and ask the office to help.
- **August 2 & 4** County 4-H & FCH Boot camp
- **August 8** Project Leader Training
  Club Manager Training
- **August 13** Gold Star Banquet

APRIL 4TH
3:30-6:30 PM
EXTENSION OFFICE, RM. 115

RECORD BOOK WORK NIGHT

THIS NIGHT IS FOR THOSE 4-H MEMBERS AND PARENTS WHO ARE WORKING ON RECORD BOOKS WHO MAY HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP. IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU ARE NEW TO 4-H OR THIS IS 5TH YEAR SUBMITTING A RECORD BOOK, COME ONE COME ALL! IF YOU CAN'T MAKE THIS WORK NIGHT AND HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP, CONTACT STEVEN TO SCHEDULE A TIME TO MEET

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

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Texas 4H Center

- County Camp I: June 15-18, 2022
  - Y: $250, A: $135
- County Camp II: July 3-6, 2022
  - Y: $250, A: $135
- County Camp III: July 6-8, 2022
  - Y: $200, A: $110
- Horizons I: June 21-24, 2022
  - Y: $250, A: $135
- Horizons II: June 26-23, 2022
  - Y: $300, A: $160
- Mission Possible: June 27-29, 2022
  - C: $200, M: $150
- Prime Time I: July 10-13, 2022
  - Y: $250, A: $135
- Prime Time II: July 13-16, 2022
  - Y: $250, A: $135

Grades 3-9

Grades 4-8

Campers: Grades 3-12
Mentors: Grades 9-12

Grades 3-5

Grades 6-9

Register Now
https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu

For further details, visit us at **https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu**

APERTURE ACADEMY

TEXAS 4-H CONFERENCE CENTER

LEARN BASIC PHOTOGRAPHY SKILLS AND TECHNIQUES

JULY 10-13
GRADES 5-8
$250/YOUTH
$135/ADULTS

Registration late fee
$50 after June 19

Join us this summer for a new and exciting camp where youth will learn the basics of photography. This camp is geared for beginners and promises hands-on learning in a fun camp atmosphere.

Register online at texas4hcenter.tamu.edu. Hurry, limited slots available!

WHAT IS APERTURE ACADEMY?

This is a 4-day camp where participants will have the opportunity to learn basic photography skills and techniques from our best leaders and ambassadors. Youth will participate in hands-on activities and lessons on the grounds of the Texas 4-H Conference Center. Campers will learn about:

- Types and care of cameras and equipment
- How the Camera Works
- Manual Settings
- Lighting
- Exposure
- Principles of Design
- Composition and Techniques

4-H CENTER FACTS

The 4-H Center is part of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and has been in the youth camping business since 1975! The Center is located on Lake Brownwood, in the geographic center of the State. Accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA), families are assured of a quality program and facility that meets rigorous standards.

- Accommodations — youth are housed, by gender, in air-conditioned dormitories.
- Each dorm has its own restroom and shower facilities.
- Staff — program coordinated by Youth Professionals of AgriLife Extension and college interns.
- Health Care — nurse on duty 24/7. All medications are administered by the nurse.
- Meals — a full time staff provides three wholesome, balanced meals each day.
- Lunch and Dinner include a self-serve salad bar, ensuring there's something for
- everyone.

Early registration, February 1—June 19. Pay a $50 deposit and the rest of the fee is due June 28th. Late registration, additional $50 late fee. Registration covers all meals, lodging, refreshments, health care services, facility and programming fees for the 3 night, 4 day event. Registrations accepted on a first come first served basis until the camp is filled. Youth are assigned to dormitories with other youth based on age; youth may request a dorm room-mate during the registration process. Please note any food allergies or special meal requests (gluten free, vegetarian, etc.) on the registration form.

REGISTER NOW ON THE TEXAS 4-H CENTER WEBSITE AT: TEXAS4HCENTER.TAMU.EDU

Individuals who require any type of accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact the Texas 4-H Center to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made. Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status. The Texas A&M University System, The United States Department of Agriculture and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Bosque County
Classic
April 23, 2022
Clifton, Tx Fairgrounds
Steer/Heifer- 3 division format
(steer show then heifer show)
Judge- Ernie Dominguez
Lamb- 5 breed format
Judge- Isaac Wenzel
Goat-3 division format
Judge-Isaac Wenzel
Swine- 6 breed format
Judge- David Frazier
Showman Clinic @8:00 - 10:00 hosted by Bosque County Ag Extension Office
Prizes include buckles, banners, cutouts and more!
• Entry fees: $25 per head
• Showmanship $5 at the gate
• No min/max weight
• Barns Open @6:00 am
• Weight Cards due by 10:00 am
• Show starts @ 10:30 am
• Concessions available all day
Clifton FFA Alumni & Valley Mills FFA Booster Club
Elisha Walker (254)979-7312 Lou Ann Thiele louann.thiele@vmisd.net

NEW

Virtual TEXAS 4-H REEL 'EM IN

FISHING SKILL-A-THON 2022

Program Highlights:

- Register **individually** as 4-H youth (grades 3-12) or *Clover Kid (grades K-2) via 4HOnline at https://v2.4honline.com/ beginning February 1st
- Clover Kids - FREE to participate and will receive a participation certificate
- Prizes to be listed January 2022
- New educational programs and fishing contests
- Judging via FishDonkey App (no fee to use app!) Rules to be released January 18 at https://d54-h.tamu.edu/

Spring Tournament
Register: February 1 - 28, 2022
Fish: March 1 at 12:00 pm thru May 31 at 11:59 pm

Summer Tournament
Register: May 1 - 31, 2022
Fish: June 1 at 12:00 pm thru August 31 at 11:59 pm

Species Divisions:

- Saltwater - Trout, Sheepshead & Redfish
- Freshwater - Bass, Crappie & Catfish

More Ways to Win!

- Longest single fish or stringer by tournament, species, division and overall
- Grand Slam - post 3 different fish species within species division
- Wild Card - random drawing of all fish posted on FishDonkey

Fee:

- $50 flat fee per division per 4-H participant (saltwater and/or freshwater)

Questions?

- Contact Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Ph.D., Extension Program Specialist at jlmcswain@ag.tamu.edu

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Denton County Farm Bureau and Texas Farm Bureau Insurance of Denton County have proudly supported the Denton County Youth Livestock Association for many years. As a contributor and sponsor we are looking forward to another great year in 2022!

If you're a current Denton County Farm Bureau member, with a child or grandchild participating in this year's show, be sure and let us know so we can tell you how to become eligible for a portion of our $8,000 contribution towards your participant's project.

Not a Texas Farm Bureau member? Use this code on your phone to become one today.

For more information, call **940.387.8572**

CLUB DIRECTORY

2021-2022 DENTON COUNTY 4-H CLUB DIRECTORY

AGRICULTURE LEADERSHIP

Meets 5:00pm @ North Texas Fair Grounds on the 2nd Sunday of each month.
Club Leaders: Pasha Tieszen, ttieszen@sprynet.com;Sue Real, suereal99@gmail.com.
Projects include livestock, livestock judging, food & nutrition, shooting sports, public speaking, archery, clothing textiles, rabbits, photography, and more.

ARGYLE 4-H

Meets 6:30pm @ Argyle Middle School on the 1st Tuesday of each month.
Club Leaders: Emily Holt, holt_emily@hotmail.com; Tina Dieterich, acld@mindspring.com; Brenda James, scoresjoker10@gmail.com.
Projects include: food & nutrition, shooting sports, clothing/textiles, robotics, entomology, rabbits, and more.

DENTON COUNTY STEM CLUB

Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month 6pm @ Denton South Branch Library. Club Leaders: Jordan Rivera, Eloise Kuehnert, Erin Tran; denton4hstemclub@gmail.com
Projects are focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Robotics.

HEART OF DENTON

Meets 2:00pm-3:00pm @ American Legion Post 71 on the last Sunday of each month.
Club Leaders Include: Debra Nobles and Ed Nobles, mebee414@gmail.com, enobles53@yahoo.com

Projects include rabbits, food/nutrition, fashion/interior design, leadership, community service, and more.

NORTH TEXAS VETERINARY SCIENCE

Meets 7:00pm @ North Texas Fairgrounds on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
Contact: northtexasvetscience@gmail.com
Projects include veterinarian science, animal projects, food & nutrition, and more.

PILOT POINT 4-H

Meets 2:00pm @ Pilot Point Church of Christ Annex on the 2nd Sunday of each month.
Club Leaders: Mary Bridges, bridgesm39@msn.com; Dana Braack, dana.braack@yahoo.com.
Projects include: in gardening, food & nutrition, clothing/textiles, livestock,
public speaking, and more.

SILVER SADDLE 4-H

Meets 7:00pm at The Downtowner in Denton on the 2nd Thursday of each month.
Club Leaders: Tracy McCarty, tribemccarty@gmail.com; Holly Branch, hollyberrybranch@gmail.com; Jayme Wright, jaymwr4h@gmail.com
Projects include horses, dogs, food & nutrition, and more

LITTLE ELM 4-H

The Little Elm 4-H Club is one of Denton County's newest 4-H Club! More details are coming soon!
Contact: LittleElm4H@gmail.com

HELPING HANDS

The Helping Hands 4-H Club is also one of Denton County's newest 4-H Club! Meets @ 5:30pm at the Aubrey Public Library on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
Contact: dentoncountyhelpinghands4h@outlook.com

Clubs may offer other projects that are not listed and are always open to new ideas.
If you have any questions, please contact victoria.scott@dentoncounty.gov

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