## 4-H FUTURES & FEATURES DECEMBER 2019



### 4-H Council

Chairman - Kellie Mae Davis
1st V-Chairman - Jacee Sellers
2nd V-Chairman - Isaiah Chisum
Secretary - Emily Robertson
Reporter - Tony Soria
Delegates at Large Savana Sellers & Emma Chisum

### **4-H Lefors Pirates Delegates**

President - Chaston Mouser Reporter - Kyree Yearwood Council Delegates - Braxton Mouser & Chris Soenksen

### North Fork Delegates

President - Rebekka Ruzvidzo Reporter - Avery McCarley Council Delegates - Owen Moore Soaring Eagle Delegates

President -

Reporter -

Council Delegates -

### **Top of Texas Delegates**

President -

Reporter -

Council Delegate -

### North Fork Club Managers

Misty Guy

**Soaring Eagles Club Manager** 

**Deborah Davis** 

### **Top of Texas Archery Managers**

Chad Epperson &

Angie Bowman-Epperson

### 4-H Lefors Pirates Club Managers

Dana Davis & Krista Elrod

Clover Kids Club Manager

MJ Brown

### ADULT LEADERS COUNCIL

Chairman - Chad Epperson

1st Vice-Chairman - Amanda Weaver

Secretary - Candace Sellers

Treasurer - Karen Schantin

Co-Treasurer - Brenda Green



## CONGRATULATIONS ON ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PECAN AND NUT MIXES FUND RAISER!!

The following have sold at least \$750 and have earned a hoodie:

Alexandria Hembree, Kenedie Davis, Makayla Green,

Makenzie Green, and Joseph Furgason.

The Following have sold at least \$1000 and have earned a jacket:

Tony Soria, Eli Richardson, Caitlynne Budd, Chris Soenksen,

Anleigh Bowers, and Hope Scribner.

### Available at the Gray County Annex, now thru Christmas and until sold



### Pictured left to right:

Top row; Kyree Yearwood, Tony Soria, Chris Soenksen, Raidyn Brown. Bottom row; Syler Brown, Blake Hembree-Parkin, Easton Willis, Collin Campbell and Alexandria Hembree.

### Office Closures:

Monday - Wednesday December 23 - 25 Wednesday January 1, 2020

### BELLS WILL BE RINGING...

One of the activities we do in 4-H is Community Service. Ringing bells for The Salvation Army is one Customer Service opportunity for our 4-H members to participate in. Here is the schedule for this opportunity:

4-H COUNCIL: December 14th at Walmart from 9:00 a.m. to Noon

NORTH FORK: Tuesday, December 10th @ United from 6 to 8 p.m.

TOT Archery: Contact Chad Epperson for information

Lefors: December 5th at United from 6 to 8 p.m







We wish
all of you and your families
a Merry Christmas and a
safe Winter Break from school.



### **4-H YOUTH COUNCIL**

The 4-H Youth Council met on November 3rd. The following decisions were made:

- \* Christmas Community Service: Ringing bells for Salvation Army on December 14th from 9:00 a.m. to Noon at the Pharmacy Door at Wal-Mart.
- \* County-Wide 4-H Christmas party scheduled for December 15th at
- Boys bring Savory/Salty snacks and girls bring sweet snacks.

The next meeting will be January 12, 2020 at 4:00 P.M.

### PARENT/LEADER COUNCIL

The next Adult Leaders Council meeting is TBD for January. ALL parents of 4-H members are invited to the Parent Leaders Council meetings.



- 4-H Lefors Pirates: December 5th; ringing bells at United from 6 to 8.
- Clover Kids: December 20th; meet at the feeding barn and then riding thru the Parade of Lights at City Park.
- North Fork: December 10th; ringing bells at United from 6 to 8.
- Soaring Eagles: Please contact Deborah Davis for meeting info.
- Top of Texas Archery: 3rd Thursday every month 6:00 @ bull barn



The Lefors 4-H club met on November 17th. We did a canned food scavenger hunt and all donations went to Arlene, at the house of Lefors, for the food pantry. It will help any resident in need of food. We enjoyed helping out and received a large amount of donations. Arlene was very thankful for the donations so she can continue helping others in





## Project Meetings & Info

### **Photography**

### **Robotics**

Friday, December 13th at the Annex beginning at 6:00.

### **Archery**

### Horse No meetings in December

### **Rabbits**

### Livestock

Swine Project meetings will pick up in February, after the Gray County Jr. Livestock Show and in between the majors.

### **QUALITY COUNTS:**

IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO ATTEND A MAJOR, AND YOUR CHILD IS NEW, OR ADVANCED FROM JUNIOR TO INTERMEDIATE, OR FROM INTERMEDIATE TO SENIOR, THEY MUST COMPLETE THE QUALITY COUNTS REQUIREMENTS, WHICH ARE EXPLAINED ON THE NEXT PAGE.

### **Excused Absences from school:**

Please inform the Gray County Extension Office of any 4-H activities that you plan to attend outside of school so we can request your absence to be excused.

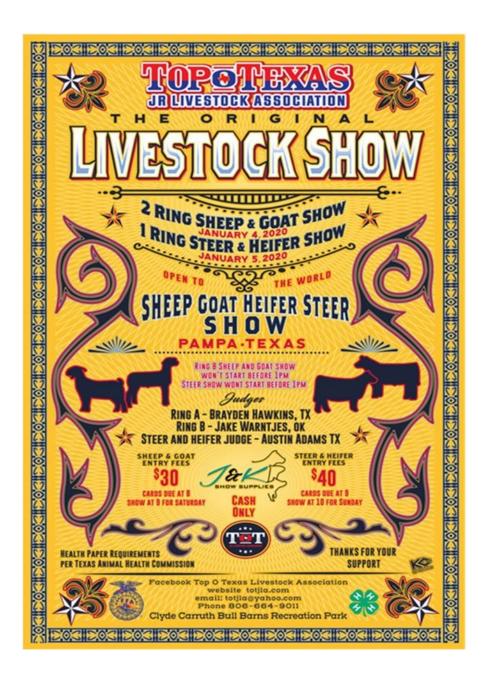
### **QUALITY COUNTS ENROLLMENT**

- Go to: https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/gc/gcregister.aspx
- Register with your information
  - a. It is very important to choose BOTH your 4-H and FFA chapter regardless of which you think you will show through!
  - You will need to enter your DOB and Phone Number in the format provided.
    - i. On Android devices, you will need type the hyphens and dashes.
- 3. Click Submit Registration
- 4. This will trigger an email from dottie.goebel@ag.tamu.edu to keep for your records.
  - Do not delete this email as it contains a Return Link that you will NEED to come back to the course at any time.
- 5. Staying on the website, click Proceed to Curriculum
- You will be directed to the curriculum website. If you have an existing login from another course on this website (ie. Leading the Legacy Course, Master Gardeners, etc.), feel free to log in with your existing login credentials! If using an existing login, please login and skip to Step 11.
  - a. There is a "Forgot Password" option if needed.
- If you do not have an existing login, click Create New Account under "Is this your first time here?" on the right side of the screen.
  - You may have to scroll down to see this if using a mobile device.
  - b. Though you do have to create another login on a separate website, this is necessary to be able to leave and come back to the curriculum as many times as needed!
- 8. Create username and password and complete login details.
  - a. You will have to use unique email addresses for each account. This means that siblings registering for the course will need separate email addresses (personal, parents', and school email are acceptable).
- 9. Click Create My New Account
- You will receive an email from noreply@agrilife.remote-learner.net. You will need to verify your email address by clicking the link in the email. This will open a new webpage.
- 11. Select QUALITY COUNTS CURRICULUM from the menu under 4-H Youth Development
- 12. Click Quality Counts
- 13. Click Enroll Me
- Select Age Bracket according to your school grade as of August 31 of the current year.
- Click the course link that follows.
- 16. Begin Course! The course will take approximately 2 hours to complete.
- 17. You may leave and come back to the course as needed using the Return Link (Step 4a).
- 18. Once you complete the course, you will click Proceed to Test.
- You must complete the exam once you start it, but can take it as many times as needed to achieve an 80% or higher.
- 20. Once passed, your verified Quality Counts number is ready for livestock show entries!



## **Gray County Buyers Club**

The Gray County Buyers Club supports & helps fund the Gray County Livestock Show as well as the Top of Texas Jackpot Shows. Basically, if we didn't have this volunteer organization, we wouldn't have the opportunity for our children to show their livestock in Gray County. Parents of ALL 4-H Livestock youth are requested to attend and participate in the Buyers Club meetings, as your opinions count and ideas matter when it comes to the show rules, barn clean up dates, participation during shows and voting in new or existing board members.



# What to watch for in the near future

- Pecan Sales results and order pickups for deliveries;
- Happy Thanksgiving!
- Majors Stock Shows Registrations Info.

Please call the Extension Office at 669-8033 for questions



Benjamin Harrison....Dec 03

Kevin Kennedy..... Dec 07

**Dorothy Martin....Dec 09** 

Marcus Warmuth.....Dec 09

Quinn Billingsley.....Dec 13

**Emily Hendricks.....Dec 18** 

Titus Huseman.... Dec 26

And everyone else whose birthday is in December!

## December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Lefors Club ringing bells 4:30 - 7 @ United	6	7
8	9	10 North Fork Club ringing bells 6 - 8 @ United	11	12	13 Robotics 6:00	14 4-H Youth Council ring- ing bells 9 a.m Noon @ WalMart
15 County-Wide 4-H Christmas Party 3 - 5	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	Extension Office Closed for Christmas	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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