4-H FUTURES & FEATURES

April 2020

TEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION

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

Vacant

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 - Vacant

Secretary - Candace Sellers

Treasurer - Karen Schantin

Co-Treasurer - Brenda Green



About the Geranium sale:

In response to the COVID 19 Pandemic Precautions, we are going to be changing the geranium sales from selling at United to taking orders online, and over the phone, as well as selling the flowers at the Annex. The Parent-Leaders voted to delay the sale to May 21st and 20th, instead of the weekend before Mothers' Day.

4-H Youth are not allowed to work the sale. We are not allowed to accept cash or checks for payment, therefore we are currently in the process of accepting credit and debit card payments. This will also be convenient for the Pecan Sales in the Fall.

What can you do? Spread the word...

"Gray County 4-H will be selling geraniums at the Gray County Annex on May 21st and 22nd. Order early by calling the office, or stop by to pick yours out."

New 4-H T-Shirt designs have arrived! GET YOUR 4-H T-SHIRTS @ TWIGGS.

\$14.00 for Small, Medium & Large \$16 for XL and larger









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Join us on Facebook LIVE at 10 AM on the days listed below for some fun, interactive lessons and activities for youth of all ages!

- Family & Community Health March 17, 18 & 19
- Agriculture & Livestock March 24, 25 & 26
- STEM March 31, April 1 & April 2
- Natural Resources April 7, 8 & 9
- Leadership & Citizenship April 14, 15 & 16





A member of our community has offered to lead a HAM radio project.

HAM Radio, also known as Amateur radio, is the use of radio frequency (RF) spectrum for purposes of non-commercial exchange of messages, wireless experimentation, radio-sport, contesting, private recreation and emergency communication. Radio amateurs use a variety of voice, text, image, and data communications modes and have access to frequency allocations throughout the RF spectrum. This enables communication across a city, region, country, continent, the world, or even into space.

Please contact the Extension Office if you are interested in this new opportunity!

Fun 4-H Fact:

The original 4-H Pledge was first written by Kansas state leader, Otis Hall, and adopted at the first National 4-H Camp in Washington, DC in 1927. The pledge remained the same until the words, "and my world" were added to the ending in 1973.



4-H Service Opportunity

The Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign is an opportunity for our 4-H Members to "Pledge their hands to larger service" (part of the 4-H Pledge), as well as a wonderful fundraiser for our 4-H programs! This Spring's fundraiser is April 29th - May 10th. We are asking parents and 4-Hers to volunteer 1 - 2 hours from 4:00 to 7:00 Monday thru Friday, and any time Saturday and Sunday, during the fund raiser. Any amount of time you can donate will be helpful. Please call the office to sign up for a time that you can volunteer.







PARENT LEADERS COUNCIL

ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED TO SHARE YOUR INPUT AT THESE MEETINGS.

The next Adult - Leaders Council meeting is scheduled for May 28th, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m. in the Annex.

4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

The next meeting is scheduled for May 3rd via ZOOM.

Club Meetings

Clover Kids, Lefors, North Fork, Soaring Eagles, & Top of Texas Archery:

ALL FACE TO FACE MEETINGS POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Project Meetings & Info

<u>Clothing</u>

Suspended until the COVID-19 Stay-at-Home order has been lifted. Dates will be arranged, and may be pushed to the Summer months.

Consumer Education

Meetings via ZOOM through the remainder of the month, dates TBD. Please contact Joan if you are interested in and invitation.

Public Speaking

Meetings via ZOOM through the remainder of the month, dates TBD.

Please contact Joan if you are interested in and invitation.

Livestock

Steer & Heifer Validation is already up on us:

Validation fee for Steers: \$15 per head April 1-April 20,

\$25 per head April 21-June 23

Validation fee for Heifers: \$15 per head April April 1 - June 23

Swine Project

Meeting via Zoom on April 23rd. Watch for an e-mail invitation!

You will find updated information on our facebook page at Gray County Extension and 4-H











Become trained and recognized as a student health and wellness leader in your community!

WHO CAN JOIN?

Membership is open to all youth entering at least 9th grade regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, national origin or disability. Ambassadors will serve a two-year term beginning summer prior to the start of the school year.



WHEN IS TRAINING?

During the summer, ambassadors will attend one of the "Building Healthy Youth to Build a Healthy Texas" Summits. These Summits will lay the foundation for ambassadors to implement health, wellness, nutrition, and safety programs, across the state



WHERE WILL YOU SERVE?

Once training is complete, youth ambassadors will provide 50 hours of service to their community. Hours can be earned through peer-to-peer education, school programs, community programs, and service learning opportunities.



WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT?

This program is designed for high school age youth who have a passion for health and wellness. Youth will be trained at the local & regional level to become youth health experts who can motivate others to make changes in their lifestyle and improve overall health. More importantly, ambassadors will assist local county extension agents with program efforts, project activities, and much more!

WHY CHOOSE US?

Become a trained student assistant to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension agents, helping to provide leadership with programs.

Become knowledgeable and skilled in the healthy lifestyles subject matter.

Learn to coordinate and present educational events that will encourage better health in your community.

Give 40 hours of service to improve the health of your community.

For more information please contact your local county extension agent or visit the website below.

https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/youth-ambassadors/



Charles Hembree-Parkin..... April 3
John Carr...April 4
Raycen Newman......April 6
Abigail Huseman......April 11
Baron Hudson......April 12
Halle Hampton.....April 14
Jerritt Furgason..... April 16
Tripp Stark......April 18
Caitlyn Granya..... April 20
Connor Hampton......April 23
Dylan Scruggs..... April 29
Eli Richardson..... April 30

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Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability, or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas cooperating.