

4-H FUTURES & FEATURES

November 2020



Gold Star Banquet

4-H Council

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

4-H Lefors Pirates Delegates

President -
Council Delegate -

North Fork Delegates

President – Rebekka Ruzvidzo
Council Delegates - Gavin Greer

Top of Texas Archery Delegates

President -
Council Delegate -
Council Delegate -

North Fork Club Managers

(Vacant)

Top of Texas Archery Managers

Chad Epperson &
Angie Bowman-Epperson

4-H Lefors Pirates Club Managers

(Vacant)

Clover Kids Club Manager

MJ Brown

PARENT—LEADERS ASSOCIATION

Chairman - Chad Epperson
1st Vice-Chairman - Si Brown
Secretary - Candace Sellers
Treasurer - Karen Schantin
Co-Treasurer - Brenda Green



Kellie Mae Davis was the Gold Star Award recipient
at the Panhandle Gold Star Banquet in October.
Congratulations Kellie Mae!

WE WISH YOU A SAFE & HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

The Gray County Extension Office will be closed for the following holidays:

Veterans' Day: Wednesday, November 11

Thanksgiving: Noon Wednesday, November 25th - November 27th



Big Fun D-1 Food & Nutrition Competitions



Gray County had a GREAT day at the Big Fun in D1 Food Show! Congratulations to Miles Clark, who placed 1st in Junior Main Dish; Eli Richardson, who placed 1st in Junior Healthy Desserts; Melody Clark, who placed 2nd in Intermediate Side Dish; and Chelsea Clark, who placed 3rd in Intermediate Main Dish. Blake Hembree-Parkin in Junior Main Dish, Nicky Price in Intermediate Appetizer, Owen Moore in Intermediate Main Dish, Charles Hembree-Parkin in Intermediate Healthy Dessert, Brycen Epperson in Senior Main Dish, and Tony Soria in Senior Side Dish also participated in the Food Show. HUGE THANKS goes to Lora Richardson, Krista Clark, Eva Price, Mindy Moore, and Terra Hembree for all of the hard work and leadership provided to these youth!

Annual Pecan Fund Raiser



We're half way through the Nuts & Fruit Fund Raiser and a few members have already earned their hoodies or jackets!! Great Job!

The Christmas Order Deadline is Monday, November 9th.

Council News

4-H YOUTH COUNCIL

The 4-H Youth Council presented the National 4-H Week Proclamation to the Commissioners Court on October 1st. They represented Gray County 4-H & promoted National 4-H Week for the Commissioners and Judge Porter sign the National 4-H week Proclamation.

PARENT/LEADER COUNCIL

The next Adult Leaders Council meeting is to be determined

Club Meetings

- ♦ **4-H for Lefors Pirates:** @ the Lefors Fire Station
- ♦ **Clover Kids:**
- ♦ **Top of Texas Archery:** TBD
- ♦ **North Fork:** November 10th, 6:00 p.m. @ the Annex



The North Fork 4-H Club met on October 13, 2020. Officer Elections were held and the program was "Stop the Bleed" lead by Alan Price.

~Submitted by North Fork Reporter, Kenedie Davis.

Project Meetings & Info

Archery

Mondays at the range beginning at 6:00.

Horse - Pampa

Horse project will be announced

Photography

Tuesday, November 17th at 6:00 at the Gray County Annex.

Rabbits

Please contact Lizz Beason at 663-1926 if you are interested in the Rabbit Project.

Robotics

November 20th at 6:00 in the Gray County Annex.

Swine

The next project meeting will be during validations on
November 19th at 5:30 in the Feeding Barn.

New 4-H T-Shirt designs have arrived!
GET YOUR 4-H T-SHIRTS
@ TWIGGS.
\$14.00 for Small, Medium & Large



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Project Meetings & Info

Livestock

VALIDATIONS:

- Swine tags are \$18 now thru the November 8th deadline. Physical Validations will be in November.
Watch for an e-mail or expect a call for more details on Validation Dates.

QUALITY COUNTS:

If your child will be going to a Major Stock Show, and they are advancing to the next 4-H level (from 5th to 6th grade, or from 8th to 9th grade) then they will need to complete the Quality Counts course.

BARN CLEAN UP DATES:

The Gray County Buyers Club is preparing for the upcoming shows. Please watch your e-mails for clean up dates, and *community service opportunities*.

WE NEED AS MUCH HELP AS POSSIBLE AND WE NEED TO SHOW THE GCBC OUR APPRECIATION FOR ALL THAT THEY DO FOR US!



Gray County Buyers Club

The Gray County Buyers Club supports & helps fund the Gray County Livestock Show as well as the Top O Texas Jackpot Shows. Parents of ALL 4-H Livestock youth are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in the Buyers Club meetings and show your appreciation for their support of your children's interests in livestock projects.

Stay tuned for upcoming meetings.

QUALITY COUNTS ENROLLMENT

Before getting started: For the best experience in the Quality Counts course, please use Mozilla Firefox as your internet source (Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, and Safari may work in some instances but are NOT suggested). Also, please make sure your browser (Firefox) has JavaScript and Cookies enabled. For desktop computers, you must have Adobe Flash Player 10.1 or greater installed.

**We recommend using
Firefox as your browser!**

1. Go to: <https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx>
2. 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!
 - b. You will need to enter your DOB and Phone Number in the format provided.
 - c. For grade level, please enter the grade you are entering (if between May-August) or your current grade, depending on the time of year you are registering in Quality Counts.
3. Click Submit Registration
4. This will trigger an email from dottie.goebel@ag.tamu.edu to keep for your records.
 - a. 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.
6. You will be directed to the Quality Counts curriculum website.
7. The course is free, so click the **green Enroll Now** button.
 - a. 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. Click Register under "Are You a New Learner?" **Even if you created an account last year and are enrolling in a new grade category, you need to create a new account. This is because we transitioned websites for improvements.**
9. Create username and password and complete login details. The address entered is not used or saved and is only for this site.
10. Accept the terms and conditions and click Register.
11. Click "Click Here" under Course Access Details.
12. Click Quality Counts
13. Select Age Bracket according to your school grade as of August 31 of the current year.
14. Begin Course! The course will take approximately 2 hours to complete.
15. You may leave and come back to the course using the Return Link (Step 4a).
16. Once you complete the course, you will click Proceed to Test.
17. You must complete the exam once you start it, but you can take it as many times as needed to achieve an 80% or higher.
18. Once passed, your verified Quality Counts number is ready for livestock show entries!

FOR QUESTIONS RELATED TO TECHNICAL ISSUES CONTACT:
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FOR QUESTIONS RELATED TO CONTENT, SCORES, AND
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*Never give up on what you really want to do.
The person with big dreams is more powerful
than one with all the facts. - Albert Einstein*