

4-H FUTURES & FEATURES

February 2023



4-H Council

Chairman: Brycen Epperson
1st V-Chairman: Tony Soria
2nd V-Chairman: Nicky Price
Secretary: Tony Soria
Reporter:
Delegates at Large:
Gavin Greer & Rebecca Scott

CLUBS

North Fork Delegates

President - Collin Campbell
Council Delegate - Anleigh Bowers

Top of Texas Archery Delegates

President - Saylor Baldrige
Council Delegate - Andrew Schantin

North Fork Club Managers

Joan Gray-Soria

Top of Texas Archery Managers

Chad Epperson &
Angie Bowman-Epperson

Clover Kids Club Manager

Joan Gray-Soria

PARENT - LEADERS

Chairman:Heather Scott
Vice-Chairman:Sy Brown
Secretary:Krista Clark
Treasurer:Karen Schantin
Co-Treasurer:Brenda Green



Hands to Larger Service

Part of being a 4-H Member is to participate in Community Service activities. In Gray County, you earn participation points that accumulate throughout the year to receive recognition at the 4-H Award's Banquet in August.

This year, *Join the Challenge to Tackle Hunger* and participate in the *Souper Bowl of Caring* by dropping canned food items off at the Gray County Annex to be donated to the Southside Senior Citizens Center in Pampa. These donations are very appreciated for the service of our community!

Join the Challenge to Tackle Hunger!

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING
EST. 1990
tacklehunger.org

GLOBE

HEALTHY TEXAS YOUTH AMBASSADORS

The Gray County GLOBE Leadership and Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors are conducting FOOD DRIVE for the Southside Senior Citizens Center in Pampa to support their efforts to feed the hungry. Their wish list includes canned corn, green beans, spinach, mixed vegetables, and any other vegetables.

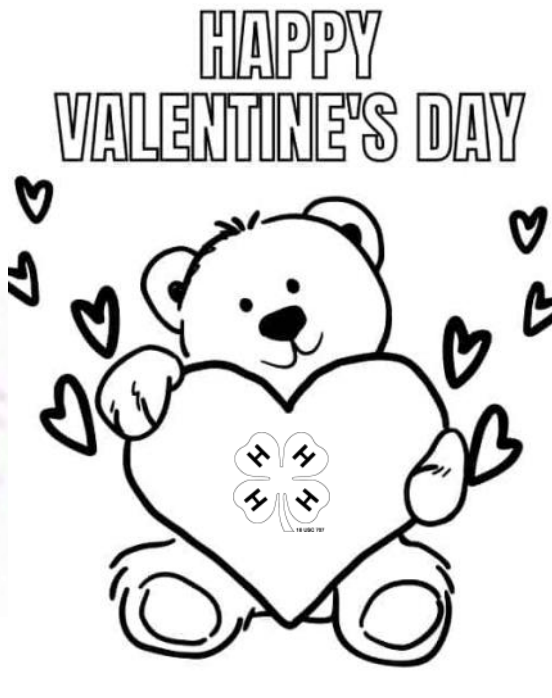
We would like to invite you to help in this effort. Our collection dates are from now until Feb. 12, the day of The Big Game. Donations can be dropped off at the Gray County Annex. Please share in God's love for our neighbors in need and give generously. You may and make monetary donations.

**Valentine's treats
and
Super Bowl snacks
are still available for sale!**

Extra nuts, pounds of pecans, gift baskets and more are still
available at the Gray County Annex
from 8:30 - 5:00 Monday through Friday.






Coloring Contest



INSTRUCTIONS: Choose one of the pictures to color, print it from the email, color your best picture and bring it by the office before February 14th to be judged and displayed. Top 2 of each picture get a prize, everyone who participates will get points!

State and National 4-H Events



2023 4-H DAY At the Capitol

Event Details:
Thursday, March 29, 2023 - Texas Capitol - Austin, TX
 Estimated Start Time: 8:30am - Estimated End Time: 4:00pm
 Event limited to first 250 youth/50 adults
 (registration is non-refundable)

Registration Information:
 4Honline Registration will open on at 12:00pm (noon) on February 1, 2023 and will close on February 8, 2023 (or until registration is full)
 Cost per participant: \$40.00 (includes lunch and a t-shirt)

The Texas 4-H Youth Development Program will once again host 4-H Day at the Capitol on Wednesday, March 29, 2023. This event is designed as a citizenship experience for 4-H members of all ages to learn more about the state legislative process, as well as meet their state representative and senator through an office visit. Since this event is held during the legislative session and other organizations/groups are at the Capitol on the same day, the number of participants (youth and adults) must be limited.

Other facts about the day that you should consider before registering:

- This event does occur during the legislative session, therefore, the event schedule may change from what is published and even distributed the day of the event. Changes to the overall schedule as well as House and Senate member visits will be occurring throughout the day and the 4-H Program will do our best to maintain the most up-to-date schedule changes through email and text messaging.
- We request patience of all our 4-H members, parents, and County Extension Agents during the event due to the fast pace of the event. This includes not just schedule changes, but cancellation of office visits or locations of visits.
- For those parents who do not get registered for the event, but their 4-H member did, they are welcome to attend and join in on the gallery and office visits, but due to space, the welcome assembly in the auditorium and the lunch will be limited to only registered individuals. The Capitol does have a cafeteria located close to the room where the event lunch will be served.
- 4-H members attending the event maybe separated from their parents for periods of time when they are in the welcoming assembly or on office visits, please be assured it is the priority of the 4-H Program that each youth member is safe and comfortable in their participation of the event at all times.
- Each registered participant will receive a t-shirt, therefore the dress is casual-nice (blue jeans or khaki pants/skirt, casual closed toed shoes). The t-shirt will be distributed at check-in and youth will have time to change prior to the event starting.
- A detailed information packet will be sent to each registered participant approximately a week before the event with an updated schedule, parking information and other logistical information.

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service provides equal access in its programs, activities, education and employment, without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, age, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

****Excused absences from school****

Please inform the Gray County Extension Office via e-mail to Brenda.Green@ag.tamu.edu, or phone at 669-8033, of any 4-H activities that you plan to attend outside of school hours so we can verify eligibility and request your child's absence to be excused.

4-H Youth Council

4-H Council will meet on Sunday, March 8 beginning at 2:00 in the Annex.

Club Meetings

- Clover Kids - February 13, at 5:30 and the 2nd Monday every month at the Annex.
 - **Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @jgraysori**
 - North Fork - February 21, at 6:00 and the 3rd Tuesday every month at the Annex.
 - **Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @jgraysoria**
 - Top of Texas Archery - February 27th and the last Monday every month at the Annex.
 - **Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @totarc**
- Please contact the Extension Office at 806-669-8033 for information about leading a club.*

Parent/Leader Council

The Spring Parent/Leader Council meeting will be announced soon. Discussion items include fund-raisers, Spring Projects, 4-H Events and other comments or concerns.

All parents and volunteers are encouraged to attend the Parent/Leader Council Meetings. Your input is valued and appreciated!

Featured Project

There are 5 different 4-H contests related to....

Clothing & Textiles

Do you know what they are??

	Fashion Show	Individual contest. Buy or sew an outfit. Complete the entry form, model the outfit and interview!
	Natural Fiber	Individual contest. Buy or sew an outfit made of cotton or wool/mohair/alpaca. Complete entry, model, and interview!
	Fashion Storyboard	Individual event. Show your creativity by designing an outfit, accessory or pet clothing! Create a board & share your vision!
	Trashion Show	Team or individual contest. "Up-cycle" your junk to create a unique design and develop a video. Your model shows it off!
	Duds to Dazzle	Team contest. Let your creativity shine in a high-energy competition, showing off your design and crafting skills!

 **Contact your County Extension Agent for more details!**
<http://counties.agrilife.org/>

Project Meetings & Info

*****MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SPRING PROJECTS PLANNING MEETING*****

BEGINNING AT 5:30 PM ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd AT THE ANNEX

We will be meeting with the listed projects leaders below and scheduling projects meetings dates and times through May. *Anyone interested in the Spring Projects need to plan to attend and bring your calendar. If you are interested in the Spring Projects but will not be able to attend the meeting, please call Joan at 806-669-8033*

***FASHION AND INTERIOR DESIGN

Project Leader: Joan Gray-Soria

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hclot

Meetings will be determined on February 2nd at the Spring 4-H Projects Meeting

***HORSE

Project Leaders: Amy Gallemore

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @9b8bf2

Sign up for a Remind Message for Horse Project Meetings to be announced.

Meetings will be determined on February 2nd at the Spring 4-H Projects Meeting

***PHOTOGRAPHY

Project Leader: Eva Price

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @bfdhac

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***PUBLIC SPEAKING

Project Leader: Joan Gray-Soria

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hpubli

Meetings will be determined on February 2nd at the Spring 4-H Projects Meeting

***ROBOTICS

Project Leader: Karen Schantin

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @h7bghg

Meetings will be determined on February 2nd at the Spring 4-H Projects Meeting

MEAT SCIENCE

Project Leader: Alan Parker

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hmeatj

Project Meetings are every Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

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# Project Meetings & Info

## ALL LIVESTOCK PROJECTS:



### BEEF

Project Leader: Ryan Davis

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @cattleproj**

### SHEEP AND GOAT

Project Leader: Heather Scott

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hsheepa**

### SWINE

Project Leader: VACANT

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @swinepr**

### LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Project Leader: Audrey Hopkins

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @2e7328k**

*Project meeting will be announced for February and Practices will resume in the Spring*

### SHOTGUN

Project Leader: Rodney Robertson

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @2798g2a**

### ARCHERY

**A volunteer leader is needed for this project.  
Please contact the Extension Office for more information**

### FOODS & NUTRITION

Project Leaders: Mindy Moore, Laura Richardson, Joan-Gray Soria, & Chad Epperson

**Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hfoodsp**

*See you next fall*

### CONSUMER EDUCATION AND DECISION MAKING

*See you next fall*

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## Upcoming Events to watch for

- ♦ Clubs & Projects Meetings Dates
- ♦ Major Livestock Shows results
- ♦ Spring Big Fun D-1 Contests
- ♦ Geraniums Fund Raiser

### GRAY COUNTY FACULTY & STAFF

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CEA - Family & Community Health

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