

4-H FUTURES & FEATURES

June 2023



Be on the Lookout

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 - Sailor Baldrige
Council Delegate - Andrew Schantin

Clover Kids Club Manager

Joan Gray-Soria

North Fork Club Managers

Joan Gray-Soria

T.O.T. Archery Club Managers

Joan Gray-Soria & Karen Schantin

PARENT - LEADERS

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

4-H Records Deadlines:

- 4-H Record Book Draft - June 23rd
- 4-H Record Book Final for District Competition - June 30th
- Participation Points Books - July 11th
- Project Report Forms - July 11th

There will be a Record Book Training on June 1st at 5:30 in the Gray County Annex.. If you are interested in applying for 4-H Scholarships upon high school graduation, even if you are only in elementary school now, it is **strongly advised** that you begin your record book sooner than later.

Watch for announcements in your email and on Facebook.



4-H District & State Events & Contests Big Fun in D-1



Andrew Schantin and Collin Campbell represented Gray County 4-H at the District 1 Archery Contest and Andrew placed first in the bare bow class in the Senior Age Group.

4-H Scholarships Awarded

The *Texas 4-H Foundation* offers a range of scholarships from \$1000 to \$20,000 each year. Gray County 4-H had 2 \$20,000 recipients this year!

Congratulations to **Tony Soria** and **Hudson Scribner!**

Their 10-years of 4-H membership, involvement, and experience has paid off and we could not be more proud to have them as representatives of Gray County 4-H!

The *Texas Extension Education Association* offers a range of scholarships from \$500 to \$1,500 each year. Gray County 4-H had 1 \$1,000 recipient this year!

Congratulations again, to **Hudson Scribner!**

With the perseverance, skills and work ethics learned from 4-H, we wish both of these young men a successful and prosperous future!

2023 State Roundup College Station

- * Tony Soria will be competing at State 4-H Roundup in Fashion Show, Business Attire as well as Cotton Fibers category on Tuesday, June 6th.
- * Brycen Epperson, Nicky Price, and Tony Soria will be competing at State 4-H Roundup on the Meat Judging Team on Wednesday, June 7th.
- * Our County Extension Agent, Joan Gray-Soria, will be recognized with the Salute to Excellence, Meritorious Award, on Wednesday, June 7th, along with Rodney Robertson who will be recognized with a Salute to Excellence, Outstanding Volunteer Leader Award.
- * Tony Soria will also be competing in Educational Presentations, giving a speech on “Gassing up or Plugging in” in the Open FCS Category on Thursday, June 8th.
- * Last, but not least, Tony Soria and Hudson Scribner will both be honored with the receipt of their very deserving \$20,000 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarships on Thursday, June 8th.

Congratulations to all for your accomplishments,
and good luck with your State 4-H Roundup Contests!

Invitation



Everyone is invited to a meet and greet on Tuesday, June 13th from 4:00 to 6:00 at the Gray County Annex.

Refreshments will be provided as we officially introduce our new Agriculture and Natural Resources Extension Agent, Marcus Preuninger to our community. This would be the time to introduce yourself and ask any questions about his programs he is planning.

We hope to see you there!

Class of 2023



Hudson Scribner



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Hudson Scribner is the son of Garrett and Carisa Scribner. He is a senior at Pampa High School. He has been a Gray County 4-H member for 10 years. During those years, Hudson has participated in beef cattle, breeding cattle, swine and shooting sports, as well as several major rodeo calf scrambles. Hudson also served as a Top of Texas Livestock Ambassador. He was honored with a District 1 Texas Extension Education Association scholarship, as well as a Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship sponsored by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Hudson graduating from Pampa High School as the Salutatorian of his class, he is senior class Vice President, a member of NHS and FCA. After graduation, Hudson plans to attend WTAMU and major in Mechanical Engineering.



Tony Soria

Class of 2023



Tony is the son of Anthony and Joan Soria. He has been a 4-H Member for ten years and involved in several projects including Public Speaking, Food & Nutrition, Fashion & Interior Design, Consumer Education, Companion Animals and Meat Science. Tony has had several leadership opportunities from the local level serving on 4-H Council, to District 1 Task Force, State Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador and, as a National 4-H Congress Delegate. He has been involved in community service activities by organizing the Souper Bowl of Caring Food Drive for two years, designing Christmas Cards for Seniors, and assisting with the delivery of Meals on Wheels the past 3 summers in a row. Tony has been honored with the Gold Star Award, which is the highest award given to a 4-H Member, as well as Danforth's "I Dare You" Leadership award and he placed 2nd at State for his Record Book in the Public Speaking category. All of his 4-H involvement allowed him the opportunity to apply for a 4-H Foundation Scholarship, to which he received a \$20,000 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship, and will be utilizing the funds for his education in Computer Science at West Texas A&M.

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Pyper Cowan



Heath and Karry Cowan are the proud parents of Pyper Cowan. Pyper joined Gray County 4-H and started showing steers her Sophomore year in high school. She enjoyed her time in 4-H and with her animals. Pyper participated in every jackpot and Major Stock Show that time allowed her in 3 years and really gained a sense of gratification from all of her experiences. She is looking forward to serving her country in the US Navy upon graduation from Pampa High School on May 27th.

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RILEY COBLE



Riley is the son of Don and Kristi Coble. He has been a member of Gray County 4-H and Shooting Sports, Shotgun Project participant for 7 years. Riley competed at several 4-H local, District and State shoots throughout the years and really enjoyed strengthening his skills while participating in one of his favorite activities outside of school and athletics. 4-H has taught Riley self discipline and good sportsmanship with a wide variety of competitors. In addition to 4-H, Riley was also a member of NHS, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and served as youth intern on the Board of Wheel Times. He will be graduating from Pampa High School on May 27th as the Class Valedictorian. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

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Rebecca Scott

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Rebecca Rhea began her 4-H resume as a "Clover-Bud" in Kansas 4-H when her brother was just starting. She gave a demonstration with her cat Pudge (Baby) to get her started in the show ring with sheep when she and her family relocated to Arizona in 2012. She expanded her love of animals and finally found a horse (AJ) that she could show and ride frequently. The duo won the Junior Western High Point in 2016. She started showing breeding goats in 2014 and along the way she added Poultry. She consecutively won Grand and Reserve Champion Market Turkey 2016 and 2017 at the Navajo County Fair and Arizona State Fair. Becca decided to show pigs and had a wonderful show season with her sheep and goat-herding pig, Kasey. She won Reserve Champion Market Swine in 2015. Rebecca continued to show her sheep and goats and kept improving their genetics and won Reserve Champion Market Lamb in 2017 with a ewe, that she still owns today, as well as Reserve Round Robin that same year. Her sheep, goats and horses have taken her many places and her hard work as added more awards and buckles. Her highest and most reverent accomplishments in 4-H has been to be honored with the 4-H Gold Star Award, and the Buddy Lowrey Memorial Sportsmanship Award. Rebecca plans to attend Frank Phillips College and start working toward a career in Reproduction Science in Horses and Ruminants and Wildlife Biology.



Thank you for taking a few minutes to read this newsletter. Let us know if you have any questions!

June Schedule of Events

- ⇒ June 1 – District Record book registration opens on 4-H Online
- ⇒ June 6-8 – State 4-H Roundup
- ⇒ **June 9 – Deadline to register for district trap & skeet**
- ⇒ **June 12 – Deadline to register for district horse show**
- ⇒ June 15-17 – Senior Power Camp
- ⇒ June 23 - 4-H Record Books Drafts due to Extension Office for review
- ⇒ **June 27 – District Horse Show in Dumas**
- ⇒ June 30 – 4-H Record Books Final Copies due to Extension Office for District Judging

TEXAS 4-H STATE GAMES REGISTRATION IS OPEN!



📌 2-Step Registration

📌 Register in 4HOnline

📅 Registration Deadline:
June 16, 2023

Registration is NOW OPEN for Texas 4-H State Games. This is a two-part registration process, but 4-H'ers should register on 4-H Online first! The event to look for is: "2023 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Game ALL Disciplines STEP 1." After registration on 4-H Online, you should then have access to Iclays to put your schedule together. Deadline for registration is June 16, 2023.

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4-H Business Meetings & Info

4-H Youth Council

4-H Council will meet on **Sunday, June 4th** beginning at 2:00 in the Annex.

Club Meetings

Gray County 4-H Club meetings will resume with the new 4-H Year beginning in September.

Please contact the Extension Office at 806-669-8033 for information about leading a club.

[Clover Kids \(Ages 5 to 8, Kdg thru 2nd graders\)](#)

Club Manager: Joan Gray-Soria

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @jgraysori

[North Fork \(3rd thru 12 graders\)](#)

Club Manager: Joan Gray-Soria

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @jgraysoria

[Top of Texas Archery \(3rd thru 12 graders in archery\)](#)

Club Manager: Joan Gray-Soria and Karen Schantin

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @totarc

Parent/Leader Council

Parent/Leaders Council met on May 11th. The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 11th beginning at 6:30 p.m., at the Gray County Annex. Discussion items include 4-H Budget for 2023 - 2024, Awards Banquet, Rodeo Parade, Local 4-H Scholarship and the 4-H Kickoff event in combination with the Back to School Bash.

All Leaders and Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend the Parent/Leader Council meetings. Any input about funds, projects, club meetings or any other 4-H related subjects is welcome here, so please feel free to be involved in these meetings and bring forth your questions and ideas.

Project Meetings & Info

PHOTOGRAPHY

Project Leader: Eva Price

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @bfdhac

Registration Deadline for *Summer Contests* is July 21st; Contest is TBD

SHOTGUN

Project Leader: Rodney Robertson

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @2798g2a

Practices begins at 5:00 on Tuesdays at the Pampa Gun Club Shooting Range.

Registration for Summer Contest: June 2; Contest at Amarillo Gun Club on June 23 - 24.

HORSE

Project Leaders: Amy Gallemore

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @9b8bf2

Project meetings are Mondays at 5:30 at the Bull Barn, unless otherwise announced in the Remind App.

Horse Validation opens March 1 on 4-H Online

State 4-H Roundup June 5, in Dumas; State 4-H Horse Show July 23

MEAT SCIENCE

Project Leader: Alan Parker

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hmeatj

Project Meetings are every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Gray County Annex unless otherwise announced through Remind App.

BEEF

Project Leader: Ryan Davis

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @cattleproj

Physical Validation date, time and place will be announced as we get closer to that deadline and after the Ag Agent position has been filled.

Invoices for Validation Orders will be sent the week of May 8th. The payment due date will be June 1st.

SHEEP AND GOAT

Project Leader: Heather Scott

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hsheepa

Please contact Brenda via email at Brenda.Green@ag.tamu.edu with the number of sheep and goat validations you will need for *State Fair*. The order deadline is Friday April 7th.

SWINE

Project Leader: VACANT

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @swinepr

A meeting about the 4-H Feeding Barn will be conducted by Marcus on

Friday, June 2nd in the Annex at 5:30.

If you have intentions to utilize the facility, please plan to attend this meeting.

Project Meetings & Info

FOODS & NUTRITION

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

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hfoodsp

See you in the 2023 - 2024 4-H year

CONSUMER EDUCATION AND DECISION MAKING

Project Leader: Joan Gray-Soria

See you in the 2023 - 2024 4-H year

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Project Leader: Joan Gray-Soria

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hpubli

See you in the 2023 - 2024 4-H year

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Project Leader: Audrey Hopkins

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @2e7328k

See you in the 2023 - 2024 4-H year

ARCHERY

Project Leaders: Joan Gray-Soria and Karen Schantin

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @totarc

FASHION AND INTERIOR DESIGN

Project Leader: Joan Gray-Soria

Remind App Code: Enter 81010 and text @4hclot

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Upcoming Events to watch for

- ◆ Record Books, Project Report Forms, and Points Books submittals
 - ◆ State Round Up Results
- ◆ Record Book District Judging Results
 - ◆ Awards Banquet
- ◆ New 4-H Year Enrollment

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