



## *Lavaca County 4-H Update* *May 21, 2021*

**Check Out:** <https://lavaca.agrilife.org/>

and <https://www.facebook.com/LavacaCounty4H>

Congratulations to the new county council officers:

Chairman - Arielle Bennetsen

1st Vice Chairman - Lani Pilat

2nd Vice Chairman - Brenden Henke

Secretary - Cathy Wenske

Treasurer - Amanda Janak

Reporter - Macey Pustka

The next council meeting will be held on July 12. By-law changes are under review and will be brought up for approval. The recommended changes are in a separate attachment to this newsletter.

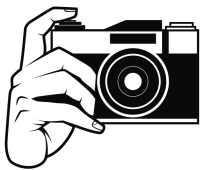
**Registration for LEAD Academy Closes Today.**

**Free and Open to all Volunteers and current 8-12th grade members.**

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/lead/>

**Congratulations to the 2021-22 Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors:  
Arielle Bennetsen & Keely Knesek**

**Congratulations to Keely Knesek on being selected as a Teen Counselor at  
the Texas 4-H Center for this summer!**



**Look in the Texas 4-H e-news that came this  
week for information on a photography contest  
opportunity!**

## Recordbooks

**Recordbooks are now due by NOON on Monday, June 7th. Awards Interviews are now set for Friday, June 25th.**



**Awards and scholarship applications are due at the same time as recordbooks.** Please go to the county website to access the awards and scholarship applications. Slight changes have been made to the senior applications and the updated applications will be available on the website next week. Gold Star (9-12) and I Dare You (9-11). This change has been made to align the awards with the descriptions provided by the granting organizations -Texas 4-H and American Youth Foundation. **Interviews will be held on Friday, June 25, 2021.**

### Recordbook Judges Needed

**Friday, June 11, 2021  
County Extension Office  
10:00-2:00**

**Lunch will be provided**

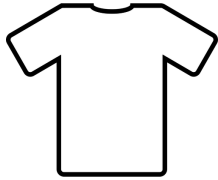
**Adult volunteers are needed to judge recordbooks that we will have received from two other counties. Judging county level recordbooks is an excellent way to learn about the recordbook process. The judging will begin with an orientation. Six to eight judges are needed. Please call the office at 361-798-2221 if you are available to help that day.**

## Save the Date for these Validations:

June 12 - Moulton Steers 8:30-9:00 a.m.

June 19

At the HISD Ag Pavillion  
Hallettsville Junior Livestock Stock Show Steers  
Shiner Steers  
Major Show Steers  
Major Show Heifers (Fall Shows)  
State Fair Swine  
Hallettsville Commercial Heifers (at the Livestock Commission)



Order forms for the new 4-H t-shirt will be posted on the county website by next week and will come out in the next update. To help us reduce cost, please consider ordering on this first round of orders -due with recordbooks.

## Fayette County Food Challenge

July 26, 2021



If your team is interested in entering email Natalie for the entry form at [natalie.knesek@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:natalie.knesek@ag.tamu.edu)

## Virtual Bass Fishing Tournament

Entry Requirements and Deadlines:



4-H youth in District 9 and District 11, including Clover Kids, may enter the Southeast Region Bass and Catfish Skill-a-Thon. Entry will be on 4-H Online at <https://texas.4honline.com> and is due by May 26, 2021 at 11:59 pm (\$15) to participate in the skill-a-thon. Only those registered on 4-H Online by the deadline will be eligible to participate.

Go the to county website to view the details:

<https://lavaca.agrilife.org/event/virtual-bass-fishing-tournament-and-skill-a-thon-register-by-may-28/>

# Summer Camps

## District 11 Leadership Lab

Leadership Lab is a three-day/two-night leadership training for 4-H youth. It is designed to equip participants with programs that can be replicated in the county and to allow the District 11 4-H Council to hold an annual meeting to conduct needed business for the year and to elect officers. It is open to members who are 13-17 as of June 1, 2021.

**Date: June 15-18, 2021**

**Location: McKinney Roughs Nature Park – Cedar Creek, TX**

**Entry/Registration: April 19 – May 28, 2021**

**Late Registration: May 29 – June 11, 2021**

County Council reimburses ½ your \$200 registration fee after you attend.

County Council will fully reimburse adult volunteers who attend.

Get All of the details here:

<https://d114-h.tamu.edu/events-and-contests/leadership-lab/>

**Natalie plans to attend. Volunteers can chaperone, as well. Parents will be needed to assist with transportation to and from leadership lab.**

## District 11 Junior Leadership Lab

**Date: July 6, 2021**

**Location: Saltwater Pavilion, Rockport, TX**

**Entry/Registration: May 3 – June 18, 2021**

**Late Registration (for an additional \$25): June 19 – 25, 2021**

### **Entry Fee:**

*\$30 for ALL youth participants (includes lunch, snacks, t-shirt, programming supplies, facility rental & insurance)*

*\$20 for adults, parents, agents and District Council officers wanting a Jr. Lab t-shirt (must register via 4-H Connect)*

*\$5 for adults, parents, agents, and District Council Officers NOT ordering a shirt (register via 4-H Connect)*

Get all of the information here: <https://d114-h.tamu.edu/events-and-contests/junior-leader-lab/>

## Texas 4-H Center

The 4-H Center has added a few more camps since the summer camp guide went out. One is called Teen Adventure and the Other is a Photography Camp for 5th-8th Grade (Aperture Camp). Check it out. <https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu>

*Remember, also, to read the weekly e-mails you receive from Texas 4-H as they often have opportunities that do not get mentioned in this update.*

This update is sent via email to all actively enrolled members and leaders. It is also posted on the county website. If you know of someone who is not receiving the updates, please have them check their Spam folders and their enrollment. Thanks!