



Lavaca County 4-H Update
May 13, 2022

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Congratulations to the new county council officers:

- Chairman – Keely Knesek
- 1st Vice Chairman – Brenden Henke
- 2nd Vice Chairman – Lani Pilat
- Secretary – Elliott Peters
- Treasurer - Amanda Janak
- Reporter –Jonah Hermes
- Parliamentarian – Zachary Henke

The next council meeting will be held on July 11, 2022.

**Congratulations to the 2022-23 Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors:
Callie Chrismon and Keely Knesek**
**Congratulations to Abigail Hill for being selected for the YALL Tour
Youth Agricultural Lifetime Leadership**



The following members have items to be picked up in the office:

Haven Flores	Trenton Meisetschlaeger	Adalyn Pohl
Katie Richter	Kennedy & Augusta Dodson	Arielle Bennetsen
Ava Matias	Kaylie and Karlie Hotz	Abigail Hill
Aubrey Freytag	Elizabeth Felcman	Jillian Anderle
Addisyn Greive	Macey & Ashlynn Pustka	Julie Henke
Alex Jurena	Quinn DeLaRosa	Lily Janak
Hannah Machacek Macyn & Chandler Wimberly	Wyatt Kram	



Recordbook Work Days

May 31- 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

June 2 10:00 a.m. – noon & 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Bring your forms, notepads, or even your laptops and spend time here at the office working on your record book. No need to sign up –this is a come and go event. Natalie will be on hand to assist you and answer questions you might have.

Recordbooks are due by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 13. Awards Interviews are set for June 20.



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. <https://lavaca.agrilife.org/4-h/4-h-scholarship-and-awards-information/>

Recordbook Judges Needed – tentatively 3:00 p.m. on June 17

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 willing to help.

Save the Date

Lavaca County 4-H Awards Banquet

August 2nd - Moulton

June 18 Validations:

Moulton Steers – Gym Parking Lot –1:00 p.m – 1:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.:

At the HISD Ag Pavilion:

Hallettsville Junior Livestock Stock Show Steers

Shiner Steers

Major Show Steers

Major Show Heifers

Hallettsville Commercial Heifers (at the Livestock Commission)

National 4-H Congress Application Closes May 20

National 4-H Congress will be held Friday, November 25th through Tuesday, November 29th at the Hyatt Regency in Atlanta, Georgia. National 4-H Congress is the flagship event of the National 4-H program. Each year a National Design Team of Extension educators, 4-H youth, and 4-H adult volunteers analyze current youth issues and determine the most effective ways to address them. The program combines a variety of fun and exciting educational, recreational, and networking opportunities. The program combines sessions, seminars, discussion groups, and a service-learning experience. The nation's most outstanding community leaders, speakers, and educators present the most current and timely information available.

OBJECTIVES:

- To improve the ability of teen 4-H youth to express themselves in written and verbal forms of communication that are necessary and important "life skills" for today and in the future.
- To increase the awareness of the importance of Leadership, Citizenship, and Community Service in 4-H Youth Development.

WHO SHOULD APPLY:

- Youth with significant leadership accomplishments and potential.
- Youth who have demonstrated the ability to perform academically at or above grade level; passing all course work and eligible to participate in extra-curricular activities.
- Youth who possess the maturity to interact with other youth from different regions, cultures, experiences, and beliefs.
- Youth in grades 9-12 at time of event, November 25-29, 2022.
- Youth must still be in high school during the time of the trip.
- Any youth participating in a youth development program which Texas A&M AgriLife Extension or Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program is a partner; (including 4-H clubs, short-term groups, school curriculum enrichment and ENP-Y programs).

4 More Campaign

Texas 4-H is launching a new membership campaign. Members who recruit others to join can earn incentives! Between now and September 1, new members should tell us at the office who recruited them. After September 1, the new members will be able to put the name of the person who recruited them in their enrollment on 4-H online.

Incentives:

1 new member – 4-H More T-Shirt

2 new members – Membership Fee Waived

3 new members – leather portfolio

4 new members – state recognition and branded backpack

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 – 17, 2022

Location: – Victoria, TX

Entry/Registration: April 11 – May 27, 2022

Late Registration: May 28 – June 3, 2022

Leadership Lab is open to youth ages 13 through 17 as of June 1, 2022.
Graduated seniors will be allowed to attend.

Registration Fee: Youth – \$200.00; Adult Leaders and County Extension Agents – \$175.00

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. Additional chaperones may be needed, as we have to provide transportation each day.

District 11 Junior Leadership Lab

Date: July 12, 2022

Location: Cooper Farms (Camp Kubena), Ledbetter, TX

Entry/Registration: TBA

Late Registration (for an additional \$25): TBA

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 Online)

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

Watch for more information here: <https://d114-h.tamu.edu/events-and-contests/junior-leader-lab/>

TEXAS 4-H CENTER

We are so fortunate in Texas to have our very own 4-H Center. The 4-H Center is perfect for meeting 4-H members from across the state. Summer camps are filling up quickly, don't miss out on the amazing opportunities. If you go, say hi to "Squeak" aka Kathleen Knesek (Shiner High School '20). She will be working there for her second summer.

<https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu>



TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

TX 4-H NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM

4-H SPORTFISHING PROJECT LEADER TRAINING

AUGUST 27-28, 2022

WHITNEY, TX - LAKE WHITNEY STATE PARK

REGISTRATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON 4-H ONLINE

PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE TEXAS ANGLER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION

Registration fee - \$75; includes lunch on Saturday and educational materials.

Training - 9:00am - 5:00pm on Saturday & 8:00am - 12:00 noon on Sunday.

All registrants will receive more details in an email.

Registration open to adult 4-H volunteers, Senior division 4-H members, and County Extension Agents/Program Assistants.

All registrations will remain in pending status until registration period closes.

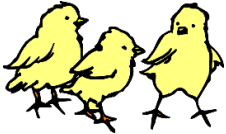
Contact Larry Hysmith at lhysmith@tamu.edu with questions. (<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/project-category/natural/>)
Also see the [4-H Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule](#) link on each webpage.



Audience Needed

Keely Knesek will be competing in the Promote 4-H Educational Presentation Competition at Texas 4-H Round-Up. If you have a group (adult or youth in or out of 4-H) that you think would like to learn more about all that 4-H has to offer, please reach out to her at keelyannknesek@gmail.com or natalie.knesek@ag.tamu.edu as she is eager to share her presentation (about ten minutes) with others.

State Fair of Texas Broiler Orders



State Fair of Texas broiler orders are due in the Extension Office by May 20 using the attached order form. Birds are \$1.50 each. The minimum order per exhibitor/family is 25 birds, with a maximum of 75 birds, in increments of 25.

Reimbursement for Select Activities

The policy and reimbursement form are now available on the county website. Go to <http://counties.agrilife.org/lavaca/files/2022/01/Lavaca-County-4-H-Reimbursement-Policy-and-Forms.pdf> to access the policy and forms.

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!

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