



Lavaca County 4-H Update July 2022

There will only be one newsletter a month this summer. Keep an eye on the county website <https://lavaca.agrilife.org/> and facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/LavacaCounty4H>.

Driscoll Auction is set for July 5th!

Lavaca County 4-H will once again be involved in conducting a benefit auction for Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi. This auction, as in the past, will take place at the Hallettsville Livestock Commission Company on Tuesday, July 5th. This is an opportunity for 4-Hers to join with area ranchers and agribusinesses to support the hospital. The role of Lavaca County 4-Hers will be to donate items to be sold at the auction and/or help on the day of the sale.

In the past, items have included baked goods, arts and crafts, plants, animal feed, various livestock health products, etc. **Items may be delivered directly to the auction barn between 10:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.** The auction will take place after the sale of the cows which is approximately 12:00 noon. We need everyone's participation to ensure that the auction is a success. Big thanks to Karen and Amanda Janak for overseeing this project!

Donation Suggestion - 4-H members are encouraged to donate items that relate to their projects. This is a great way to get project related community service which is often hard to achieve.

County Council Meeting
Monday, July 11, 2022
6:30 p.m.
Conference Room, Extension Office

Congratulations!!

Record Book Results

<i>Juniors</i>	<i>Intermediates</i>	<i>Seniors</i>
<u>Beef</u> Tanner Pustka, – 1 st	<u>Beef</u> Ryan Janak – 1 st Lanie Haas – 2 nd	<u>Beef</u> Macey Pustka – 1 st Lani Pilat - 2 nd Kodi Bible – 3 rd Brooklyn Schoeneman – 4 th Abigail Hill
<u>Photography</u> Quinn DeLaRosa	<u>Shooting Sports</u> Lexi Ischy – 1st	<u>Health and Personal Safety</u> Arielle Bennetsen – 1st
<u>Swine</u> Raider Jalufka	<u>Swine</u> Sophia Etzler -1 st Tucker Boswell – 2 nd Rylan Jalufka	<u>Swine</u> Catherine Wenske – 1st
	<u>Poultry</u> Maci Haas – 1st	<u>Leadership</u> Elliott Peters – 1 st
	<u>Animal Agriculture</u> Nathan Henke – 1 st	<u>Animal Agriculture</u> Brenden Henke – 1 st Zachary Henke – 2nd
	<u>Vet Science</u> Clayton Haas – 1 st	<u>Vet Science</u> Brady Haas -1st
	<u>Food and Nutrition</u> Brooke Rothbauer – 1 st	<u>Food and Nutrition</u> Amanda Janak – 1 st Jonah Hermes – 2nd
	<u>Sheep</u> Addisyn Greive – 1 st	<u>Goat</u> Callie Chrismon – 1st
	<u>Gardening and Horticulture</u> Ashlyn Pustka – 1 st	<u>Rabbit</u> Savannah Filip – 1 st Madelyn Hynes – 2nd
		<u>STEM</u> Adalyn Pohl – 1 st
		<u>Visual and Performance Arts</u> Keely Knesek – 1st

1st Place Books will be judged at District on July 14th.

Big applause for each of these members! Record books take time but teach valuable skills in record keeping and time management.



District 11 Horse Show, May 31 & June 1 in Edna

Camry Jacob, Lavaca River Oaks

2nd Place Junior Pole Bending, 7th Place Junior Clover Leaf

Texas 4-H Round-Up, College Station

Keely Knesek, Half Moon

4th Place Fashion Show Buying Special Interest

2nd Place Share-the-Fun Choreographed Routine

10th Place Educational Presentations Promote 4-H

Callie Chrismon, Half Moon

Selected as a Delegate to National 4-H Congress in November!

State 4-H Photography

Abigail Hill, Green Leaves

Best of Show – Shadow/Silhouette!

(one best of show is chosen for each of the 15 categories)



Arielle Bennetsen, Sweet Home - Animals - Wildlife: **Blue**

Kennedy Dodson, Half Moon - Landscape & Nature: **Red**, Animals - Domestic: **Blue**

Abigail Hill, Green Leaves - Leading Line: **Blue**

Keely Knesek, Half Moon - Motion/Action: **Red**, Elements of Design: **Blue**

Ava Matias, Green Leaves - People: **Blue**, Food: **Blue**, Enhanced: **Red**, Details & Macro: **Blue**, Catch All: **Blue**

Trenton Meisetschleager, Moulton - Plant/Flora: **Blue**

Lani Pilat, Hope - Theme - My Hometown: **Blue**

There were over 1000 pictures entered in the State Photography contest this year. Photos were awarded Blue, Red, White, or Green based on the score. All of our Photo Entries received at least a Red Ribbon!

We would like to put together a video of all of the state photography photos from Lavaca County. If you entered the state photography contest, please email your digital photos to natalie.knesek@ag.tamu.edu.

District Leadership Lab

Abigail Hill, Lani Pilat, and Keely Knesek represented Lavaca County at the District 11 Leadership Lab held in Victoria on July 15-17, 2022.

Jr. Leadership Lab

Ashlynn and Tanner Pustka will represent Lavaca County at the District 11 Jr. Leadership Lab at Ledbetter Ranch on Tuesday, July 12.

Ambassador Happenings

Abigail Hill attended the Advocacy Academy at the Capital in Austin as a 2nd Year Livestock Ambassador. Abigail will also be attending the Youth Agricultural Lifetime Leadership Tour at the end of this month!

Keely Knesek and Callie Chrismon attended the Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Road Trip to Jackson County on June 23rd. They presented "Packing a Perfect Lunch" to their peers from across the District, teaching them about Bento Boxes and packing a lunch packed with nutrients. Keely will be attending an additional Road Trip to San Patricio County and the State Summit to renew her State Level Ambassador designation later this month.

Adalyn Pohl, as a STEM Ambassador, could be seen on the Big Screen during the closing assembly at Texas 4-H Round-Up. Adalyn, as part of the news crew at Round-Up had her news cast interview with 4-H Specialist Angela McCorkle about the Duds to Dazzle contest broadcast for over 2,000 attendees!

Good Luck!

National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship, June 26-July1, Grand Island, NE
Simon Marcak, Muzzleloading Riffle & Andrew Marcak, Coach

Texas 4-H Dog Show, July 7-9, Montgomery County Fairgrounds
Keira Roberts, Half Moon
Conformation Class, Costume & Tricks



Shooting Sports State Games

July 9-24, 2022

Hunting & Wildlife, Muzzleloading, Pistol and Rifle Events – July 10-15, 2022 Austin Rifle Club, Manor • Archery Events - July 18-23, 2022; National Shooting Complex, San Antonio • Shotgun Events - July 19-23, 2022 National Shooting Complex, San Antonio

Name	Archery	Shotgun	Hunting & Wildlife	Muzzleloading	Pistol	Rifle
Tatum Beach	X	X	X	X	X	X
Simon Marcak			X	X	X	X
Aaron Migl				X	X	X
Ellie Beth Migl						X
Evan Rother			X	X	X	X
Hayden Rother			X	X	X	X
Presley Rother			X	X	X	X
Kenley Sevcik			X	X	X	X
Layne Sevcik			X	X	X	X
Trent Sevcik			X	X	X	X



Lavaca County 4-H Awards Banquet
Tuesday, August 2nd - Moulton
Moulton School Cafeteria
6:30 p.m.
RSVP by July 22nd

All Lavaca County 4-H members and their families are invited to attend.
Recognition will be given to those who have participated in events
throughout the year and those who have completed record books along with
the junior and teen leader and Star awards.

Hunter Education

A hunter education course will be offered August 6 in Shiner, hosted by the Shiner Business Mens club from 8-5. Register should be available on the Texas Parks and Wildlife website soon.

Fall 4-H Shooting Sports Registration and Orientation

Lavaca 4-H Shooting Sports will hold orientation and an organizational meeting, Tuesday, August 16 at 6:00 PM at the Appelt's Hill Gun Club near Hallettsville, 4071 CR 204, for all youth, 3rd grade - 12th grade or 9 yrs old interested in its fall session. Small-bore Rifle & Shotgun will be offered, instructed by 4-H certified instructors. In order to participate, youth must be enrolled in Lavaca County 4-H. 4-H enrollment is done online through 4-H Online. This website is <https://texas.4honline.com>. One must also register and attend orientation on August 16.

A Parental signature will be required. It is required that you attend and register on the 16^h at 6:00 PM. If unable to attend, please contact Philip Guenther 979-562-2124 or Wayne Rother 361/798-4750.

Hoof Trimming

Be on the lookout within the next month for Hoof Trimming Dates.

Major Show Turkeys

Major Show Turkey Orders are due by July 29th. Use the form on the next page.

Major Show Tag Order Form

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

- Only one order form per family
- Refunds will not be given
- Order form and payment must be physically turned in to the County Extension Office by the due date. If mailed, the order must arrive on or before the deadline.
- There will be no orders taken by phone, fax, email or text
- Order must be accompanied by payment for the tags
- Payment for tags will not be accepted at validations
- Ordering tags does not enter an exhibitor in any stockshow

Please print clearly:

List all exhibitors in the family

Exhibitor Name(s) _____,

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Payment (Circle One): Check (Payable to Lavaca County 4-H) Cash

Mail form and payment or deliver to: Lavaca County 4-H
300 South LaGrange Street
Hallettsville, TX 77964

(A mail slot is available for drop off outside of office hours)

Order Deadline	Type of Tag	Cost per bird	Number Needed Increments of 25 Max order 75 per family	Amount Paid
July 29	Major Show Turkeys	\$4.25		

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



The poster features a background image of two people fishing on a lake. At the top left is the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension logo. In the center, the text 'TX 4-H NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM' is arched over a graphic of a fishing rod and a fish. Below this, the main title '4-H SPORTFISHING PROJECT LEADER TRAINING' is written in large green letters. The dates 'AUGUST 27-28, 2022' and location 'WHITNEY, TX - LAKE WHITNEY STATE PARK' are listed. A green banner states 'REGISTRATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON 4-H ONLINE'. Below this, it says 'PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE TEXAS ANGLER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION'. Three green callout boxes provide details: 'Registration fee - \$75; includes lunch on Saturday and educational materials.', 'Registration open to adult 4-H volunteers, Senior division 4-H members, and County Extension Agents/Program Assistants.', and 'All registrations will remain in pending status until registration period closes.' At the bottom, contact information for Larry Hysmith is provided, along with a link to the 4-H Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule.

**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.

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

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

All registrants will receive more details in an email.

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.



The Office will be
closed on July 4th!

Natalie will be on vacation from July 4-10
and again from July 16-24. Happy Summer!

Food Handlers Certification

There will be a Food Handlers Certification Course taught on Wednesday, July 27 from 2-4 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Extension Office. This is a great opportunity for high school students wishing to work in Retail Foods and those senior level 4-H members who participate in the Food and Nutrition Project. Space is limited. Call the office to register. The course is \$20.

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.

Re-enrollment is almost here!

Enrollment for the new 4-H year begins on August 15. Everyone must re-enroll each August. Parents are asked to enroll as Adult Volunteers, as this is one of the most important steps we take in providing a safe environment. Our 4-H insurance only covers those members and adult volunteers who have active approved enrollments.

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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