

# 4-H FUTURES & FEATURES

August 2025



## 4-H Council

Chairman: Nicky Price  
1st V-Chairman: Gavin Greer  
2nd V-Chairman: McKinley Clark  
Secretary: Charles Hembree  
Delegates at Large: Angelique Ritchie  
and Blake Hembree

## CLUBS

### North Fork Delegates

President -Angelique Ritchie  
Council Delegate - Charles Hembree

### Top of Texas Archery Delegates

President - Emma Searl  
Council Delegate - Hope Thrasher

### North Fork Club Managers

Volunteer Opportunity

### Top of Texas Archery Managers

Karen Schantin, Job Ruzvidzo,  
Joshua Nachtigall

### Clover Kids Club Manager

Joan Gray-Soria

## PARENT - LEADERS

Chairman: .....Zack Greer  
Vice-Chairman: .....Terra Gehringer  
Secretary: .....Krista Clark  
Treasurer: .....Karen Schantin  
Co-Treasurer: .....Brenda Green

## D1 4-H FRIENDS & ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Board Director.....Danielle Nachtigall



# 4-H Enrollment

## 2025 - 2026 4-H Enrollments

Please remember to update your email addresses and contact info.

- ◇ August 16th: Enrollment opens for 9 year-olds and incoming 4th graders as well as Clover Kids, and volunteers.
- ◇ September 1st: 8 year-olds and incoming 3rd graders are no longer Clover Kids and can enroll as a 4-H member, but not until September 1st.

TEXAS 4-H ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES		
<b>Clover Kid Participation Fee</b>  <b>\$10.00</b>  August 15 to completion of the Texas 4-H year	<b>Youth Club Member Participation Fee</b>  <b>\$25.00</b> August 15-October 31  <b>\$30.00</b> November 1 to completion of the Texas 4-H year	<b>Volunteer Application Fee</b>  <b>\$10.00</b>  August 15 to completion of the Texas 4-H year


The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.


Please let us know if you are planning to participate in the Tri-State Fair and/or the State Fair of Texas so we can ensure entry deadlines are met and if you are missing school, we can notify the school of your absences and request them to be excused.



# Gray County 4-H Kickoff

DISCOVER. LEARN. GROW.



## Join us for the 4-H KICKOFF!

Whether you're a new or returning member, come explore all the exciting projects Gray County 4-H has to offer!

6:00 to 7:00 p.m Gray County Annex 12125 E. Frederic St. in Pampa



# Tuesday, August 26, 2025

### FALL PROJECTS



Archery



Consumer Education



Public Speaking



Foods & Nutrition



Swine



Lambs & Goats



Beef

### SPRING PROJECTS



Archery



Fashion & Interior Design



Meat Judging



Livestock Judging



Shotgun

(Contests are in June and July)

### YEAR-ROUND PROJECTS



Photography  
(Contests are in July)



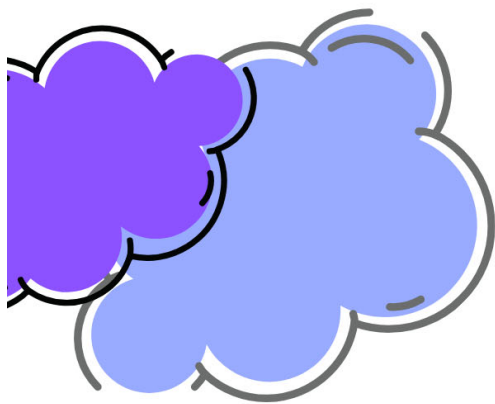
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Gray County Extension and 4-H



# Gray County 4-H Clover Kids Club

**The 4-H Clover Kids is a FUN 4-H Program for youth in Kindergarten through 2nd grade. Meetings are held once a month where social skills are enhanced, self-esteem is developed and family strengths are built. Children get to explore 4-H Projects they may want to try when they reach 3rd grade and can be a 4-H Member.**

Join us on Kick-off Night,  
August 26th from 6 to 7 at the  
Gray County Annex,  
12125 E. Frederic St. in Pampa.

#### Enrollment Info:

\$10 Annual enrollment fee  
Opens August 15th at  
[Texas.4Honline.com](http://Texas.4Honline.com)  
Create a login profile.  
(Be sure to select "Clover Kids"  
when you reach the Club Section.)



Email us at [Gray-TX.tamu.edu](mailto:Gray-TX.tamu.edu)



Call us 806-669-8033 M-F 8:30 - 5:00



Message us on Facebook at Gray County Extension and 4-H

# \$\$ Consumer Education \$\$

## MONTHLY MEETINGS • REAL-WORLD LIFE SKILLS



### LOCATION:

The Gray County Annex

4:30–6:00

August 25 • 4:30–6:00

September 8 • 4:30–6:00

September 15 • 4:30–6:00

October 6 • 4:30–6:00

November 3 • 4:30–6:00

### WHY ATTEND?



#### PRACTICAL LIFE SKILLS

- Learn about budgeting, saving, and spending
- Compare prices and make smart purchases



#### CONSUMER SAVVY

- Become an informed and responsible shopper



#### FINANCIAL LITERACY

- Explore topics such as credit, loans, and taxes

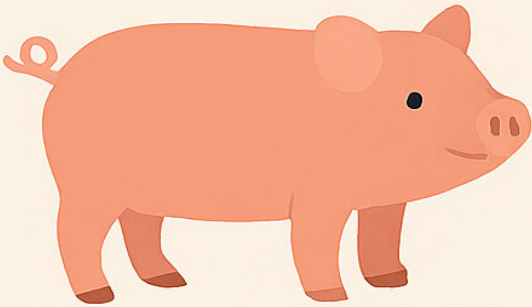


#### COMPETITIVE EVENTS

- Compete in contests and quiz bowls

# Swine Project

## MONTHLY MEETINGS • HANDS-ON LEARNING LIFELONG SKILLS



### LOCATION:

The Gray County

Bull Barn



The 3rd Thursday

each month • 5:00–6:00

## WHY ATTEND?



### LEARN BY DOING

- Animal care, feeding, grooming, and showmanship
- Swine health and nutrition tips from experts



### BUILD LIFE SKILLS

- Responsibility, leadership, and decision-making
- Public speaking and teamwork opportunities



### CONNECT & GROW

- Make friends with fellow 4-H members
- Network with mentors and industry professionals



### COMPETE & SUCCEED

- Prepare for livestock shows, quiz bowls, judging contests
- Gain confidence and recognition in your community

# Congratulations to our Shotgun Participants!

It is exciting to see the participation in our shooting sports Shotgun project! This year we had 11 Gray County 4-H Members participate in the District 1 Shotgun Contest. Kixton Kee was our only Junior Division competitor, while Wade Camden, Miles Clark, Judsyn Knox, Samuel Stucker, Hope Thrasher, Logan Thrasher, Cade Wilson, and Rebekah Wilson are all of our Intermediate Division Representatives. Gavin Greer and Cooper Jennings both competed in the Senior Division where Cooper placed 1st in Sporting Clays, 3rd in Trap, 1st in Whizbang, and 1st Highest Over All. Keep up the good work and keep practicing! Great job representing Gray County 4-H!

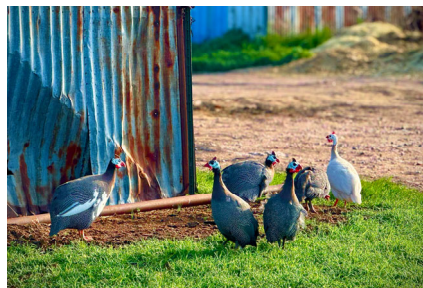
# Photography is taking shots as well!

Photography is growing! We had 7 Gray County 4-H participants in this year's photography contest. Our intermediates are McKinley Clark and Hope Thrasher while Junior shots were submitted by Henley Kent, Noah Kent, Raylee Knox, Braun Lashmet, and Penny Rogers. All I can say is that I am glad I am not the judge for all of these photos! They're really great shots! Good Job Gray County 4-H Photographers!

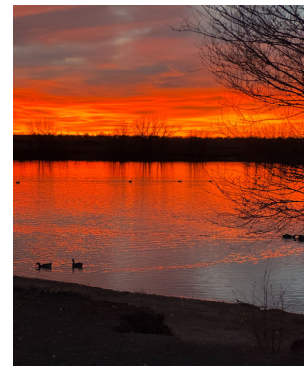


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Photos by McKinley Clark:



Wildlife

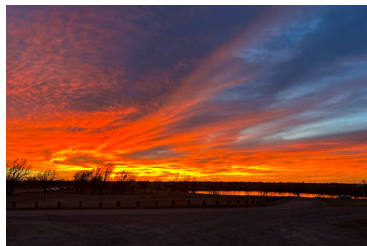


Landscape



Food

Photos by Hope Thrasher:



Landscape



Transportation

# Photography Continued



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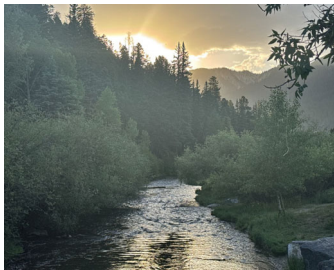


Photos by Henley Kent:

Wildlife



Landscape



Landscape

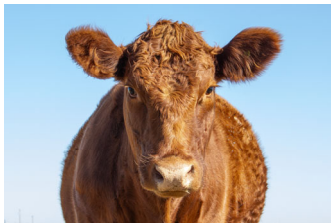


Photos by Noah Kent:

Wildlife Animal



Reflection

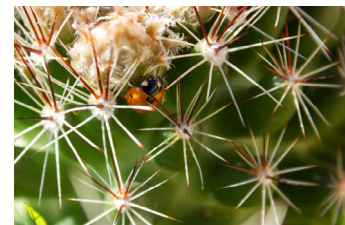


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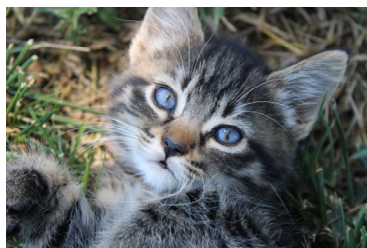


Photos by Raylee Knox:

Food



Wildlife Animal



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Photos by Braun Lashmet:



Landscape



Patriotism

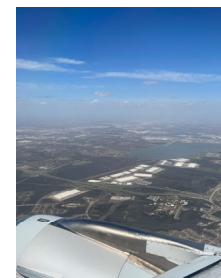


Dominant Color

Photos by Penny Rogers:



Flora



Transportation

# Projects Meetings & Info

## FOODS & NUTRITION

Planning meeting: Sunday, August 17th at the Annex at 2:00 p.m.

## CONSUMER EDUCATION

Project Meetings Scheduled for August 25th, September 8th & 15th, (Farmers Market Booth on September 13th & 20th), October 6th & 20th, District Contest is October 27th, and November 3rd will be the last meeting.

Project Leader: Brenda Green

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

## BEEF

Project meetings: watch for messages on Remind

Project Leader: Marcus Preuninger

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

## SWINE

There will be no meeting in August.

Regular meetings will be the 3rd Thursday each month thru January, beginning in September.

They will be held at the bull barn beginning at 5:15

Project Leader: Brenda Green

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

## SHEEP AND GOAT

Project meetings will be announced through the Remind App.

Project Leader: Heather Scott

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

## LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Please join the Remind group for practice days and times.

Project Leader: Sterling Scott

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

# 4-H Youth Council

Meetings are scheduled the 1st Sunday of every odd-numbered month.

The next meeting will be on September 7th at 2:30 in the Annex.

# Parent-Leaders Council

The budget meeting will be discussed for the new 4-H year on September 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the Gray County Annex. All parents and leaders are welcome to participate.

# Club Meetings

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

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

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

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

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

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

All Club Meetings will resume in September.

## August

- End of year awards banquet
- New 4-H Year enrollment
- Tri-State Fair Entry Deadline
- State Fair of Texas Entry Deadline
- 4-H Kickoff

## September

### **CLOSED 1ST**

- Durham's pecans and nuts fundraiser begins
- Youth Council members are selected
- Clubs and Fall Projects meetings begin
- Tri-State Fair
- Lamb and Goat projects validations are ordered
- Fall Big Fun in D1 registrations open
- Tri-State Fair

## October

- National 4-H Week
- Club and Projects meetings are in regular sessions, practicing for District Contests
- Order Swine Project Validations
- Lamb and Goat physical validations
- State Fair of Texas
- Big Fun in D1 Contests
- Fall Durham's pecans and nuts fundraiser orders are due before the 15th

## November

### **CLOSED 11TH, & 26TH- 28TH**

- Fall Projects are wrapping up
- Majors Stock Shows Entries meeting and deadlines
- Fundraiser orders delivered before Thanksgiving
- Swine Projects Physical validations
- Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship application available

## December

### **CLOSED 24TH & 25TH**

- 4-H Christmas party
- Community Service Activities

## January

- Livestock Projects County Show
- Livestock Projects getting ready for majors

## February

### **CLOSED 16TH**

- Spring Projects meetings begin
- Major Stock Shows Fort Worth, San Angelo, and San Antonio in progress
- 4-H Scholarship applications due the 15th

## March

- Spring Projects meetings in session and getting ready for Big Fun in D1 District Contests
- Major Stock Shows Houston and Austin in progress
- State indoor archery
- D1 Meat Judging
- Spring Break
- Order next year's beef project validations

## April

### **CLOSED 3RD**

- Shotgun project begins
- Spring Big Fun in D1 registrations open
- Order State Fair lamb and goat projects validations
- 4-H Scholarship Interviews in College Station

## May

### **CLOSED 25TH**

- Spring Geraniums Fund Raiser
- Spring Big Fun in D1
- State Round up registrations open
- Record Book Training
- Scholarship Award notifications

## June

- 4-H State Roundup & 4-H Scholarship banquet
- 4-H Record Books due
- District 1 Shotgun competition
- Next year's Beef Projects physical Validations
- State Fair Lamb and Goat physical validations

## July

### **CLOSED 3RD**

- Shotgun State Games
- District Photography Due
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## Upcoming Events to watch for

- 4-H Enrollment and Re-enrollment
- 4-H Youth Council nominations
  - Tri-State Fair Contests
- Fall Projects and Clubs meetings
- **Fall Fund Raiser - Durham's Pecans & Nuts**

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