



# ERATH COUNTY 4-H NEWS

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JUNE & JULY 2020

TEXAS A&M  
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TABLETOWN  
STATE UNIVERSITY

JUNE 2020

# STRAIGHT OFF THE FARM

AN ONLINE FOOD CAMP

BEEF - DAIRY  
VEGETABLES

JOIN COUNTY AGENTS AND TSU PROFESSORS AS THEY COVER THE  
FOLLOWING TOPICS THROUGH SELF-PACED VIDEOS:

WHERE DOES MY FOOD COME FROM?  
WHAT IS THE NUTRITIONAL VALUE?  
HOW CAN I COOK IT?

REGISTER TO RECEIVE VIDEO LINK: [HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/4IEDSWcsNYB9Z6x8](https://forms.gle/4IEDSWcsNYB9Z6x8)  
OR CALL THE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE: (254) 965-1460

**NO REGISTRATION FEE & NO 4-H MEMBERSHIP OR RESIDENTIAL REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE!**

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. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts in Texas Co-sponsoring.

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# Upcoming Stock Show Dates & Deadlines

## WEST TEXAS FAIR & RODEO

Abilene, September 10 – 19, 2020

**Entry deadline: August 11, 2020**

TaylorCountyExpoCenter.com



## STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

Dallas, September 25 - October 18, 2020

**Entry deadline: August 19, 2020**

BigTex.com



## EAST TEXAS STATE FAIR

Tyler, September 25 – October 4, 2020

**Entry deadline: August 19, 2020**

etstatefair.com



## HEART O' TEXAS FAIR & RODEO

Waco, October 8 - 18, 2020

**Entry deadline: August 19, 2020**

HOTfair.com



**If you need to come outside of our office hours (8:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 5:00pm), we are happy to accommodate, but you must make an appointment!!**

**DON'T FORGET!!!**

## 2020 – 2021 4-H ENROLLMENT

All profiles (youth and adult) will be changed to INACTIVE on August 15<sup>th</sup> and you will be required to re-enroll for the 2020-21 4-H year. An active enrollment is required to register and participate in all 4-H activities and events. Re-enroll between September 1<sup>st</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup> for \$25.00 and from November 1<sup>st</sup> – end of 4-H year for \$30.00. Adult enrollment is \$10.00 for the 4-H year.

Detailed instructions can be found online or in the Extension office.

<https://erath.agrilife.org/erath-4-h/enroll/>

# SUMMER VALIDATION

Major – Steers & Summer Heifers  
State Fair – Market Lamb, Goat, & Swine and  
Purebred Gilts

(Heifers will be invoiced after Validation)

**When:** Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020  
and

Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020

8:00am – 10:00am

\*Swine will ONLY be done on 6/23\*

**Where:** Stephenville Cattle Company  
(Stephenville Sale Barn)  
3581 US-281, Stephenville, TX 76401

**If you cannot make it to either date,  
let Helen know ASAP!!**

## Things to Remember:

- Heifers still eligible to show for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year do NOT need to be re-validated if the breed and owner have remained the same
- Steers can be county validated for an additional \$15.00/head (cash or check made payable to "ECLA") at this time
- ONLY market lambs/goats need to be validated for the State Fair of Texas (Dallas) – breeding sheep/goat stock does not require state validation
- A second fall validation for heifers will occur in October for spring major shows
- A 2020 – 2021 Ethics Code form is required for each exhibitor
  - Breeding animals are validated to an individual,  
market animals are validated to a family

**\*VALIDATION IS NOT AN ENTRY\***

## COVID – 19 Precautions

Following State and Texas A&M AgriLife recommendations, we highly encourage everyone to keep in mind and practice social distancing while at validation. Please, do not get out of your vehicle until your animals are in the chute/on the stand to limit the number of people congregating around the validation committee. Hand sanitizer and a sink will be available on site, but you will need to bring your own PPE if so desired.

**Stay connected  
with Texas 4-H:**

[https://texas4-  
h.tamu.edu/](https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/)



[texas4h](https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/)



[@Texas4H](https://twitter.com/Texas4H)



[texas4h](https://www.instagram.com/texas4h)



[texas4h](https://www.pinterest.com/texas4h)



[tx4h](https://www.youtube.com/texas4h)



[tx4hphotos](https://photos.state.tx4h.org/)



[Newsletter](#)

## Event Funds

Youth Fair  
Fort Worth  
San Angelo  
San Antonio  
Houston (Floor  
Checks)  
Austin Refunds

Please call to  
make an  
appointment to  
pick up your  
envelope!!

Deadline to  
pick up YF  
Funds:  
July 31st

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## 2019 – 2020 AWARDS BANQUET

This year's 4-H awards banquet will be held in late-August 2020 and in compliance with State and County COVID-19 mandates/precautions. Location and Date TBD.

Due to multiple County, District, and State level contests being cancelled, no prizes will be awarded in these categories.

Awards to be presented:

Enrolled Clover Kids  
Completed Project Forms – up to 5 awards per member  
Completed Recordbooks  
County Council Members  
Club Managers

Star Award Applicants – 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, & 12<sup>th</sup> grade applicants will receive a Belt Buckle!!  
Years in 4-H

Project Completion Forms & Star Award  
Requirements and Applications:

<https://erath.agrilife.org/4-h-awards-banquet/>  
or email Helen to be sent forms directly!

NOTE: Star Awards require a percentage of club meeting attendance to be met. This requirement will not be enforced this year due to COVID-19 circumstances.

**Star Award Applications DUE:  
June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Project Completion Forms DUE:  
August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**



## Horse Show News

57<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
TEXAS STATE 4-H HORSE SHOW

When: July 19<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>

Where: Brazos County Expo Center – Bryan, TX

Entries Due: July 1<sup>st</sup> via 4-H Connect

Due to COVID-19, there will be no qualifying rules this year to enter the State 4-H Horse Show. Rules, Schedule, & More: <https://animalscience.tamu.edu/livestock-species/equine/state-4h-show/>

# CLUB MEETINGS

Contact your Club Managers to confirm date, time & location of your next club meeting.

*\*Clubs do not meet in June or July & select clubs meet in August\**

**If you need to come to the office, please do so by making an appointment!**

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*Virtual*



# SEWING CAMP

**REGISTRATION DUE JUNE 19TH**

**SOUP BOWL COZY (COMMUNITY SERVICE)**



**HANGING WALL ORGANIZER**



**MESH BEACH BAG**



**FABRIC GARLAND**





Participants can pick one, two, or all three projects! Soup cozies will be automatically added to the bag and/or organizer projects as our community service contribution.

Each project will be provided in a "kit" with all materials, cut pieces, and instructions. Sewing machines and basic sewing kits will be available to check out from the office.

*Hanging Wall Organizer - \$15 \* Mesh Beach Bag - \$10 \* Fabric Garland - \$5*

Instructional videos will be posted online covering sewing and machine basics and step-by-step working through each project!

**CALL THE OFFICE TO REGISTER: (254) 965 - 1460**  
**ONLINE: [HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/JXUCDJM81CKVJUHQ8](https://forms.gle/JXUCDJM81CKVJUHQ8)**

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## 2020 – 2021 CLUB CHARTERING

**It is already time to start thinking about the next 4-H year!!**

**Each Club Manager will be required to meet with Helen either in person or via Zoom to discuss club charting documents.**



# JUNE 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 County Recordbooks DUE	13
14	15	16	17 Virtual SURGE (Leadership Lab)	18	19 Virtual Sewing Camp Registration DUE	20
21	22	23 VALIDATION	24 4-H FCH Coalition	25	26	27
28	29 Star Award Applications DUE	30 VALIDATION				

July  
Events &  
Deadlines  
See July  
Calendar



# JULY 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 State Horse Show Entries DUE	2	3 CEO Closed	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
State 4-H Horse Show		State 4-H Horse Show	State 4-H Horse Show	State 4-H Horse Show	State 4-H Horse Show	
26	27	28	29	30	31	

## August Events & Deadlines

**Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Project  
Completion Forms DUE

**Aug 11<sup>th</sup>** – West Texas  
Fair Entries DUE

**Aug 19<sup>th</sup>** – East Texas,  
HOT, & SFT Entries DUE

**Late August** – Awards  
Banquet

**Late August** – Major  
Lamb & Goat Validation  
Tag Orders DUE



## ***Erath County 4-H Clubs***

<b>4-H CLUBS – MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE</b>					
<b>CLUB</b>	<b>MEETING PLACE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>CLUB MANAGER</b>	<b>PHONE</b>
<b>COMMUNITY CLUBS</b>					
County Council	County Extension Office	As Needed	As Needed	Helen Hardy	(254) 965-1460
Morgan Mill	Morgan Mill Community Center	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	6:30pm	Elizabeth Starnes	(254) 592-2000
Stephenville	Valley Grove Baptist Church	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	6:00pm	Kendi Maruska	(254) 744-7225
Foster's Home	Foster's Home	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3:00pm	Brawnson Oliver	(254) 968-2143
<b>PROJECT CLUBS</b>					
Dairy	Southwest Regional Dairy	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	7:00pm	Heather Jones	(254) 967-3790
Entomology	Meet as needed – Contact Club Manager for Info.			Krista Pendergrass	(254) 485-1450
Horse	Meet as needed – Contact Club Manager for Info.			Mary Sue Dunbar	(254) 977-4924
Lamb & Goat	TSU Ag Farm	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	6:00pm	Carol Barrett	(254) 485-5957
Pasture to Packer	County Extension Office	As Needed	As Needed	Lonnie Jenschke	(254) 965-1460
Shooting Sports	Research & Extension Center	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	6:00pm	Roy Green	(254) 967-3737
<b>IN-SCHOOL CLUBS</b>					
White Horse Christian Academy	White Horse Christian Academy	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	---	Vanessa Halford	(254) 459-1230

Enrolled 4-H Members can be a part of multiple clubs at their discretion.  
However, you must select a Primary Club during enrollment.

*It is advised to call the Club Manager to check for time and/or location changes if this is your first time attending!*

Provisions from the American Disability Act will be considered when planning educational programs and activities. Please notify the Erath County Extension Office as far in advance of the program as possible if you plan on attending an Extension Educational program and require specialized services. This will allow ample time to acquire resources to meet your needs. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A & M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating