

July 2021 Focus

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District 8 4-H Council

Congratulations to Emma Canales and Sarah Wood on being elected to serve on the District 8 4-H Council for the 2021-2022 year!

Texas 4-H Council

Congratulations to Sarah Wood on being elected to serve on the Texas 4-H Council for the 2021-2022 year!

Sheryl Long will be out on Maternity Leave starting on July 26th and she will be out for 12 weeks. Please direct your questions to Jackie McLaughlin, Whitney Ingram, or Tonya Elliott.



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4-H Members in the Spot Light



Youth Water Ambassadors

Tier I

Jane Gaunt (Tigertown 4-H)

Tier II

Emma Canales (Stampede Creek 4-H)

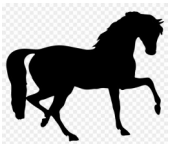
John Thomas Gauntt (Tigertown 4-H)

Jasmina Karim (Tigertown 4-H)

Tier III

Jahongir Karim (Tigertown 4-H)

Sarah Wood Tigertown 4-H)



Equine Ambassadors

Pat Higgins (Rogers 4-H & Horse Club)

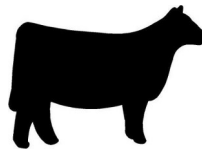


Healthy Youth Texas Ambassadors

Jones Brown (Tigertown 4-H)

Jane Gaunt (Tigertown 4-H)

Sarah Wood (Tigertown 4-H)



Youth Livestock Ambassadors

Kaylee Eaton (Stampede Creek 4-H)

Jessalyn Payne (Stampede Creek 4-H)

James Steglich (Holland 4-H)

Emily Dague (Holland 4-H)

Bryce Fisher (Maxdale 4-H)



Shooting Sports Ambassadors

Casin Sellears (Tigertown 4-H)



Photography Ambassadors

Mackenzie Nowell - (Stampede Creek 4-H)

Casin Sellears - (Tigertown 4-H)

Sarah Wood - (Tigertown 4-H)

Hunter Spectacular

VIRTUAL Event Details

- Drawing for 20 Guns and other large ticket items
- \$20 tickets
- Winners will be drawn on Facebook Live on Saturday, October 23rd starting at TBD.
- Once a ticket is drawn, it will not be put back into the drawing.
- 4-H members are expected to sell at least **3** tickets per member.
- Bell County 4-H Ambassadors are expected to sell at least **5** tickets.
- We will still have Silent Auction Baskets. Each club is expected to donate either 1 basket valued at \$100 OR donate \$125.
Deadline for \$125 Donation – September 30, 2021
Deadline for \$100 Basket – September 30, 2021
- Each club needs to recruit at least one \$200 sponsor for this event. Feel free to get more!

Silent Auction Baskets

We will still have Silent Auction Baskets. Each club is expected to donate either 1 basket valued at \$100 OR donate \$125.

* Deadline for \$125 Donation – September 30, 2021

* Deadline for \$100 Basket – September 30, 2021

We are currently looking into new websites for our Silent Auction. If you have any good ideas, please let Sheryl know!

Hunter Spectacular Info for CLUB MANAGERS ONLY

Pick Up Tickets (**club managers only**): Be checking your email for this information!

Turn in tickets to your Club Managers: BEFORE October 20th (date set by your Club Manager)

Turn in tickets to CEO (**CLUB MANAGERS ONLY**): Tuesday, October 20th through Friday, October 22nd
8:00am – 11:00am or 1:00pm -4:00pm

AGAIN THIS YEAR ~ Club managers will deposit all money sold by their members into their club account. Managers will then write a check to Bell 4-H for your total amount of tickets sold.

Early ticket turn-ins are always welcome! Please adhere to the turn-in instructions that were given to you with your tickets. Please call the CEO to set up your appointment for ticket turn-in.

4-H Club Incentives

We want to continue to incentivize member participation. In that effort, each Club that meets the 3 requirements listed below will earn a 10% kickback.

- 100% ticket sales based on enrollment from last year based on each member selling 3 tickets.
- Recruit at least one \$200 event sponsor



County Council & Ambassadors



Bell County Ambassador Training

The Mandatory Bell County 4-H Ambassador Training will take place on **Friday, July 16th**. ! This will be at the Bell CEO from 9:00 am—10:00 am. We will do our best to squeeze everything into one hour!

County Council Officer Training

The Mandatory County Council Officer Training will take place **Friday, July 16th!** This will be at the Bell CEO from 10:00 am—12:00 pm. We may be done sooner or maybe a little later. If we run late, I will buy pizza for the kids. Bring your calendar and community service ideas. There is not a good date that works for everyone so check your email and send Sheryl your community service ideas.

Banquet Planning Meeting

For our Adult Leaders that volunteered to serve on our Banquet Planning Committee, Ambassadors, County Officers ONLY. Join us on **Tuesday, July 13th** to plan the 2021 4-H Awards Banquet. This meeting will start at 3:00 pm. Come with your ideas on how to make the banquet better.

4-H Club Managers & Volunteers

Membership Advisory Board Meeting

When: August 23, 2021 **Where:** CEO **Time:** 6:00 pm

This meeting is open to all parents and leaders! We encourage all Club Managers to attend and give their opinions on the Bell County 4-H program.

Hunter 's Spectacular

4-H Hunter's Spectacular Planning Meetings

Be checking your email, 4-H Newsletter and 4-H Online Email blast for details on the next Hunter's Spectacular Meeting. Sheryl will be on maternity leave starting at the end of July so this meeting will be scheduled by Whitney Ingram or Tonya Elliott.

Upcoming Events

Bell County 4-H Awards Banquet

The annual 4-H Banquet is set for **Monday, August 9, 2021** at the Bell County Expo Assembly Hall. We will also need pictures for the General 4-H slideshow. Please send any pictures from your club activities or 4-H contests to Sheryl.Long@ag.tamu.edu.

Please RSVP to scarlot.barreras@ag.tamu.edu NO LATER THAN July 20th!

Clover Kids Dates for 2020-2021

Clover Kids Recordbooks

Deadline date is Friday, July 9, 2021 @ 5pm.

Drop off at the 4-H County Extension Office

1605 N. Main, Room 102, Belton

More information and forms are on the Bell County 4-H Clover Kids website.

A Clover Kids Recordbook must be turned in for a Clover Kid to receive an award at the Bell County 4-H Award Banquet on August 9th, 2021.

Clover Kids Summer Camp

Saturday, July 17, 2021 @ 1pm

First United Methodist Church - Fellowship Hall

205 E 3rd Avenue, Belton

Bell County 4-H Exchange

Bell County 4-H Exchange Club was established in the 90's and we are looking for someone to continue this great Project Club! Kathy Ide is retiring after being the club manager for 12 years. If you are interested please email ckide3@yahoo.com.

Wildlife Project Meeting

Wildlife project meeting July 11, 6-9 pm. We will meet at Fort Parker to practice tree and wildlife identification. Ice cream, hotdogs, and study guide provided. Please RSVP to joendecastillo@hotmail.com to reserve a study guide. Note that park entry fees apply at this site.



FCH Project News



4-H Summer Clothing Blast

When: July 9 AND July 12

Where: Bell CEO Meeting Room **Cost:** \$5 for both days

Time: 2:00 –4:30 pm each day

Projects for July 9th- Let's Decorate!

*Fabric Printing with crayons and sandpaper

*Make flannel baby washcloths

Projects for July 12th- Let's Sew by Hand!

*Embroidery embellishments

*Let's Sew by Machine!

*A Fabric Organizer Cubby

Materials you will need to bring with you:

A T-shirt to decorate

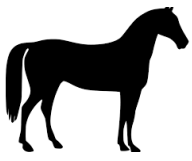
2-4 "fat quarters"

Matching sewing thread to "fat quarters"

Sharp Scissors

For the Community Service Project bring baby wash, baby shampoo, diapers, or wipes for the Hope Pregnancy Center.

RSVP to Jammie Payne at 254-295-6646



Livestock Project News



4-H Horse Club Events

July 3—Belton 4th Of July Parade

August 7—end of Year Campout/Trail Ride

Bell County 4-H Livestock Page

Exhibitors and their families can always find the latest Livestock Project information at:

<https://agrilife.org/bell4h/projects/4-h-livestock/>

West Texas Fair Livestock Show Entries

If you are planning to attend the West Texas Fair, livestock entries are due to Whitney Ingram at the Bell County Extension Office by **Monday, July 26th!**

Copies of the entry forms can be found on our Bell County 4-H Livestock page.

Please submit appropriate paperwork with payment for all entries on or before July 26th. Exact cash or checks can be made payable to the Bell Livestock Coalition. If you would like to pay by Credit Card, Whitney can send you an invoice. Please note that all Credit Card payments will incur a 3% fee.

2021 State Fair of Texas & Heart O' Texas Fair Entry Deadlines & Stalling Requests

State Fair Of Texas: Due to CEO by Wednesday, August 18th, 2021

Heart O' Texas Fair and Rodeo: Due to the CEO by Wednesday, September 1st, 2021

Entry forms for the above shows will be available at the CEO and posted online starting August 1st.

Please submit appropriate paperwork with payment for all entries on or before the respective deadlines. Exact cash or checks can be made payable to the Bell Livestock Coalition. If you would like to pay by Credit Card, Whitney can send you an invoice. Please note that all Credit Card payments will incur a 3% fee.

When filling out your entry forms for statewide shows, please use **Bell County 4-H** rather than your specific club name. If you have any further questions please contact Whitney at Whitney.Grantham@ag.tamu.edu.

Save the Date for Local Show Opportunities!

Central Texas State Fair: September 3rd - 5th, 2021

On Saturday, we will host our lamb, goat, steer, and heifer jackpot shows, but this year, a swine jackpot show has been added to Sunday! A flyer with more information is posted on our Bell County 4-H Livestock page.

Holiday Classic Clinic and Jackpot Show: November 6th -7th, 2021

This will be the 30th annual Holiday Classic! Remember, this show is completely FREE for exhibitors and their families. There will be high quality educational clinics, great food, and awesome giveaways as always! If you or your business would like to be a sponsor of this event to help keep it FREE for attendees, please let us know!



Summer Fun Activities



~Summer Workshop Guidelines~

- Please make sure the participants arrive on time
- Participants must be picked up promptly at the conclusion of the workshop
 - Please adhere to RSVP deadlines

Cupcake Decorating Workshop

When: July 6 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room **Cost:** 6.00
Option for two times to attend: 10am to 12noon and 5pm to 7pm
RSVP by July 2nd to SBarreras@ag.tamu.edu

Healthy Spa Day

When: July 20 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room
Time: 10:00 am—3:30 pm
Bring your lunch. Bring tennis shoes and a towel.
Topics: Breathe into Mindfulness, Zumba, Ice Cream in a Bag, Central Texas Beauty College
RSVP by July 27th to SBarreras@ag.tamu.edu

Duds to Dazzle Workshop

When: July 23 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room
Time: 6:00-8:00 pm
RSVP by July 19th to SBarreras@ag.tamu.edu

Middle Eastern Cuisine Workshop

When: July 31 **Where:** Bell CEO Meeting Room
Time: 2:00-5:00 pm
RSVP by July 26th to SBarreras@ag.tamu.edu

Important Dates

July 2021

July 5: County Holiday, OFFICE CLOSED
July 6: Cupcake Decorating Workshop
July 8: District 8 Recordbook Judging
July 9: Clover Kids Recordbooks Due
July 9: Summer Clothing Blast
July 12: Summer Clothing Blast
July 13: 4-H Banquet Planning Meeting
July 16: County Council Officer Training
July 16: BC Ambassador Training
July 17: Clover Kids Sumer Camp
July 19: Clover Kid Recordbooks Due
July 20: Banquet RSVP Deadline
July 20: Healthy Spa Day Workshop
July 23: Duds to Dazzle Workshop
July 26: West Texas Fair Entry Deadline
July 31: Middle Eastern Cuisine Workshop

August 2021

August 7: Horse Club End of Year Party
August 9: Bell County 4-H Awards Banquet
August 18: State Fair of Texas Entry Deadline
August 23: MAB Meeting

September 2021

September 1: HOT Fair Entry Deadline
September 3-5: Central Texas State Fair, Expo
September 30: HS Silent Auction Basket Due to CEO
September 30: HS Silent Auction Donation Due to CEO

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BELL COUNTY
4-H NEWSLETTER

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Everything will be posted on the Bell County 4-H website

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