



Montgomery County 4-H Focus



The office will be closed on July 4th, 2023
for the County Holiday.

4-H Awards Banquet

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Doors open at 6:30pm

Master Gardener Building

The Awards program is designed to recognize the accomplishments of 4-H members for their project work, leadership skills, personal growth and development, and participation in various 4-H sponsored activities. The individuals that completed record books, club books, and award applications will receive invitations and tickets in the mail. Everyone is invited and tickets will be available for purchase at the 4-H office.



2023-2024 Member Enrollment **JOIN THE CLUB**

Don't forget to mark your calendars for August 15, 2023. That is when we will start re-enrollment for the 2023-2024 4-H year. If you are 8 years old going into the 3rd grade WAIT until September 1st.

The new 4-H year officially begins on September 1, 2023.

Texas 4-H Connect: <https://texas.4honline.com>

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You can participate in any 4-H project by being a part of any of our County Community 4-H clubs. Just because a club does not currently have active members in a specific project area; it doesn't mean that no one will get interested in it.

July 2023



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County 4-H

[agrilife.org/
montgomery4h](http://agrilife.org/montgomery4h)

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[@4HMontgomeryCounty](https://www.facebook.com/4HMontgomeryCounty)

Twitter:

[@MontgomeryCo4H](https://twitter.com/MontgomeryCo4H)

Instagram:

[@Montcotx4H](https://www.instagram.com/Montcotx4H)

**County Extension
Service**

montgomery.agrilife.org

District

d94-h.tamu.edu

State

texas4-h.tamu.edu

Office Hours

8:00am - 12:00pm

1:00pm - 5:00pm

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County Extension Agent
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Jo Picken

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4-H Volunteer
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For my club, my community, my country, and my world.

COUNTY COUNCIL

Congratulations!
Your 2023-2024 officers

Chairman: Dean Holtkamp
1st Vice Chairman: Jessica Skelton
2nd Vice Chairman: Lani Duncan
Secretary: Ella Porter
Treasurer: Jackson Skelton
Reporter: Karis Downs
Health & Safety: Connor Haines
Parliamentarian: Ali Denson

LEADERSHIP TEAM TRAINING

Date: August 26, 2023
Time: 8:30am
Location: Exhibit Building at the Montgomery
County Fairgrounds

The Leadership team training is an annual training that is essential for club officers, their parents, managers, assistant managers, and project leaders. BUT, everybody is welcome to attend. Officers will learn their duties and responsibilities in the positions they've been elected to. Adults will gain the resources they need to better support youth members and projects.



Congratulations to Jessica and Jackson Skelton for being elected to District 4H Council! Jessica will serve as 2nd Vice President and Jackson will be our Public Relations Officer for 2023-24.

State Roundup

We had 12 4-Hers compete in various contests at State Roundup this year!

District 9 4-H Horse Show

Nine kids competed with thirteen horses. We had a Grand and Reserve Champion Mare, Reserve Champion Gelding, Jr. Western Champion, Yearling Futurity, 3 year old Futurity, and Reserve Hunter.

Record Books

35 record books were turned in. 24 will be advancing to District! District judging will be July 13th.



NON-LIVESTOCK PROJECTS

TX 4-H AMBASSADOR Programs

For motivated individuals who seek to become a leader, mentor, and teacher, inspiring positive change in their community. Ambassador programs strive to provide 4-H members the opportunity to develop & practice advanced leadership skills to mentor other youth.

[Texas 4-H Ambassadors - Texas 4-H \(tamu.edu\)](https://www.tamu.edu/4h/)

Available Ambassador Programs

- Fashion & Interior Design
- Livestock
- Equine
- Healthy TX Youth
- Water
- Photography
- Shooting Sports
- STEM

STEM Ambassador applications

July 1-31st applications accepted

Info video: https://www.youtube.com/watchv=J_QpoIx2HI4

Application Link:

<https://texas4-hyouthdevelopment.submittable.com/submit>

STEM Ambassador's mission is to educate communities about science, technology, engineering, and math opportunities; both inside and outside of 4-H, while learning essential skills in STEM, communication, and teamwork.

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS CONTESTS

AgRobotics	Food Challenge
Livestock Judging	Plant ID
Product ID	Wildlife
Archery	Public Speaking
Science Fair	Vet Tech

HEART OF TEXAS CONTESTS

Public Speaking	Food Challenge
Livestock Judging	Ag Product ID
Trap Shooters Extravaganza	

Contest Entry Date will be August 10, 2023 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Please mark this date on your calendar if you want to compete at State Fair of Texas or Heart of Texas.

Crochet Workshop

July 18, 20, and 21st beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Montgomery County Extension Office

RSVP by July 14th at

<https://agrillife.org/montgomery4h/rsvp/>

This series of classes are welcome to beginner's, even if you don't know how to crochet. You will be instructed on the basic skills and foundations of crochet, with the goal to make granny squares. The crochet yarn, needles and patterns will be provided for you, so you do not need to bring anything but your beginner's luck! This a 3-part class, so please try to make each class, and the third day will serve as time for additional instruction and help or for you to continue the work you started in class 1 and 2. Each class is two hours, with 12 4-H'ers max per class.





LIVESTOCK PROJECTS

ATTENTION: Quality Counts will be undergoing platform maintenance in July. Learners are encouraged to wait until the update is released to enroll to avoid disruption. If you are currently enrolled, or will be enrolling in June or early July, you MUST complete the course AND exam by July 16.



TURKEY ORDERS FOR MONTOMGERY CO. FAIR AND MAJOR SHOWS



If you want to show a turkey in 2024 this is the one time order for turkeys. The form is available at <https://agrilife.org/montgomery4h/livestock/> We ask members to order in multiples of 5. 10-15 birds is recommended per show you will be entering. The turkeys will be \$4.75 per bird. Delivery will be the first two weeks of November.

TURKEY ORDERS for major shows and Montgomery County Fair will be due to the County Extension Office on **July 27, 2023**

FALL MAJOR SHOW ENTRY DAY

Ordering Turkeys or Broilers, ordering tags and validating your animal only makes your project **ELIGIBLE** to be entered into one or more of the major livestock shows held in the September/October time frame. The next step is to complete entry forms to determine what animal you are taking to which show and pay those entry fees.

Entry Day for State Fair of Texas, Heart of Texas and East Texas State Fair will be **AUGUST 10, 2023 FROM 5:00 P.M - 7:00 P.M.** at the Extension Office. This will include a multitude of contests and events unrelated to owning livestock. Everybody planning to participate at any of the Fall Major Shows, State Fair of Texas or Heart of Texas, livestock or non-livestock events, **MUST submit an entry on this day.**

Please sign up for a time on the sign up genius link that will be emailed out.

****Quality Counts must be completed/updated if participating at State Fair of Texas**

What to Bring:

- *4-H Member - *Parent - *4-H Member's Social Security Number
- *Valid Quality Counts Number - *Method of Payment (cash or check)
- *Heifer registration papers - *Pure bred gilt papers

DO NOT forget form of payment

Entries are not complete if payment is not received.


 The logo features the word "UPcoming" in a green, sans-serif font with a green arrow pointing upwards from the letter 'P'. To the right of this, the word "EVENTS" is written in a larger, blue, serif font.

UPcoming EVENTS

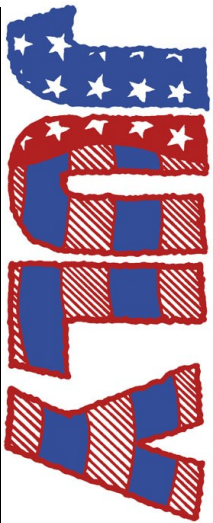
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July 2023

7/4		EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED	
7/6-9		Walker Co. Fairgrounds	Texas 4-H Dog Show
7/13	9:30 a.m.	Extension Office	Dist. 9 4-H Record Book Judging
7/18	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office	4-H Club Manager Training
7/18	1:30 p.m.	Extension Office	Crochet Workshop #1
7/20	1:30 p.m.	Extension Office	Crochet Workshop #2
7/20	5:30 p.m.	Extension Office	4-H Finance Committee Meeting
7/21	1:30 p.m.	Extension Office	Crochet Workshop #3
7/27		Extension Office	Turkey Orders Due


August 2023

8/10	5:00 p.m.	Extension Office	Fall Major Show Entry night
8/15		4honline	2023-24 Enrollment Opens
8/15	6:30 p.m.	Master Gardner Bldg.	County Awards Banquet
8/24	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office	Club Manager/Volunteer Training
8/26	8:00 a.m.	Exhibit Bldg. Fairgrounds	CountyLeadership Training



Montgomery County 4-H 2022-2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Office Closed	5	6	7	8
				State 4-H Dog Show - Huntsville, Texas		
9	10	11	12 Book Workday	13 Dist. 9 4-H Record Book Judging	14	15
16	17	18 Crochet Class Club Manager Training	19	20 Crochet Class	21 Crochet Class	22
				4-H Finance Commi-		
23	24	25	26	27 Turkey orders due for fair and major shows	28	29
30	31					

August

Montgomery County 4-H 2022-2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
	Texas Association of Extension 4-H Youth Development Professionals					
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
				Fall Major Show Entry		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	4-H Banquet Preparation	Enrolment begins in 4-H Online Co, 4-H Awards Banquet				
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		4-H Finance Committee				4-H Club Manager / Leadership Team Training
27	28	29	30	31		

If you have special needs for any of the programs offered at the County or District level, please give us a least five days' notice.

We will make every reasonable effort to accommodate your needs.

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