

August 18, 2023

Happy Friday!

We had a jam packed summer filled with State Roundup, Kids in the Kitchen, Kids in the Sewing room, Recordbooks, Leadership Lab, Jr Leader Lab, PLC, Annual Awards Banquet and MORE! It was amazing to watch all of our 4-H'ers have such a great time and excel in all that they day. We are looking forward to another successful year. I hope that each of you had a wonderful summer and wish you all a great start to the school year!

Ms. Laura



Friday ROUNDUP

WHARTON COUNTY 4-H

NEWS YOU CAN USE

2023-2024 4-H ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for the new year has begun for 4th - 12th graders and on September 1st for all 3rd graders. Enrollment can be completed here: <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>



'HORSE BITS' SET TO LAUNCH THIS FALL

Texas 4-H Equine Ambassador Jillian Laitkep will be launching a first of its kind bi-monthly horse newsletter this fall. *Horse Bits* will be your go-to source for trending horse topics, healthcare tips, an equine professionals directory, upcoming shows, rodeos, seminars, and show much more! For more information and to sign up to receive the newsletter, click on the link below:

<https://agrilife.org/wharton4h/links/resources/>



PALA AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING: SEPTEMBER 5

The first official PALA and County Council meeting of the year will be on September 5th at the Extension Office. We hope that you will join us!

PALA: 6:30 pm

County Council Social: 6:30 pm

County Council Meeting: 7:00 pm

Community Service: Blue Jeans Go Green - Bring in all of your old denim clothes to donate to Habitat for Humanity!



ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET PICTURES

Congratulations to everyone on an amazing 4-H year! Photographs from the 2023 Wharton County 4-H Annual Awards Banquet are free to download and can be found here:

<https://staceymariephotog.shootproof.com/2023wh4h>

SPECIAL THANKS TO STACEY FOR ALWAYS CAPTURING SUCH GREAT PICTURES FOR US!!



MAJOR SHOW POULTRY ORDERS

Order forms (attached) and payment are due to the Extension Office on or before **Tuesday, August 22nd** at 12:00 p.m. Chick will not be ordered without payment. Ordering birds DOES NOT ENTER an exhibitor into any show. Entry nights will be held in November. Dates and times will be forwarded at a later date.

Order forms can be found here:

<https://agrilife.org/wharton4h/livestock/major-show-information/tag-order-forms/>



MAJOR SHOW FALL HEIFER VALIDATION

Major Show Fall Heifer Validation forms are due to the Extension Office on or before **Tuesday, August 22nd** at 12:00 p.m. Please note all state validated heifers will be tagged similar to steers. Physical Validation for Heifers will be on October 30th at the Fairgrounds.

Order forms can be found here:

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STATE FAIR OF TEXAS & HEART O' TEXAS ENTRIES

State Fair of Texas and Heart O' Texas entries are now open if you are interested in participating this fall. Entries are due to the Extension Office by **August 22, 2023** at 12:00 p.m.



MAJOR SHOW FALL SWINE VALIDATION

Major Show Fall Swine Validation forms are due to the Extension Office on or before **Tuesday, September 26** at 12:00 p.m. Physical Validation for Pigs will be on November 28th at the Fairgrounds. Order forms are attached.



MAJOR SHOW FALL LAMB & GOAT VALIDATION

Major Show Fall Lamb & Goat Validation forms are due to the Extension Office on or before **Tuesday, August 29** at 12:00 p.m. Physical Validation will be on October 30th at the Fairgrounds. Order forms are attached.



4-H SEWING DAY - SEPTEMBER 16

Did you attend Kids in the Sewing Room?

Do you like to Sew?

We would like to invite you to join us on Saturday, September 16th from 9 am to noon at the Extension office for a 4-H Sewing Day and to learn about the Quilts of Valor Project. If you have a sewing machine please bring it with you along with Red, White, or Blue thread.

RSVP to Laura by **September 12th** if you would like to attend.

