



# DENTON COUNTY 4-H FORECAST

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*Denton Extension Office is pleased to announce the following personnel changes: **Michael J. Schertz** has returned to his former position County Extension Agent-4-H and Youth Development. **Rebecca Parker** has been promoted and transferred to the Dallas Office as a Regional Program Director.*

## National 4-H Week October 5 -11, 2003

Help your 4-H club celebrate by planning to expand the Denton County program.

- Can Food Drive
- Membership Drive
- Decorate School bulletin board
- Make 4H Power posters for your local bank

## Evening With The Stars Review

In the midst of a jubilant and glitter filled evening with former Gold Stars dropping in to help present awards and honor this year's winners, Denton County 4-H celebrated the achievements of its distinguished Sr. Award winners.

With a medal and trophy filled 4-H career behind him **Jace Beck, Bluebonnet 4-H Club**, was named Gold Star. **Christopher Gosnell, Argyle 4-H Club**, also caught his star with his great leadership effort of building and designing a worship area for his church.

**Jessica Kimbro and Jessica Larimer** both out of the Northwest 4-H Club snagged the coveted Danforth Award for their excellent leadership roles in 4-H and their communities. While Jessica Kimbro was delivering Meals on Wheels Jessica Larimer was making sure that we all new the humane way to treat animals. Both noble efforts. The Farm Bureau Award for Citizenship went to **Amanda Cage, Silver Saddle 4-H and Tia Johnson, Krum**. These girls are active participants in the

4-H Horse Project and do a great job of leading and helping others.

**Dr. Elizabeth Beck**, motivated, inspired and captured the hearts of her audience. She spoke eloquently on never giving up, following your dream, and cited her personal hero. Dr. Beck convinced us that we could all succeed. Coming from a family with 3 Gold Stars, serves as a measure of strong persuasion.

**Chuck Fremaux** was named the Friend of 4-H. He has worked on the Denton County 4-H Youth Development Committee and continued to support our county youth for several years.

Record book awards were presented to the following:

### **Erin Warren**

Best Overall Record Book

Best Junior Record Book

### **Gretchen Ettredge**

Best Intermediate Record Book

### **Meghan Schwind**

Best Senior Record Book

### **Tess Warren**

Best First Year Book

### **State Record Book**

### **Competitors:**

**Allen Copeland and Jace Beck**

## 4-H Mom Hatches a Hay Judging Win

**Diana Hatch was the night's big winner at the Hay Judging Contest, as she matched her talent and hay savvy by holding on to first place over**

2<sup>nd</sup> place Mike Sommers  
3<sup>rd</sup> place Dr Scott Weams  
4<sup>th</sup> place Joyce Kimbro  
5<sup>th</sup> place Weldon Warren

Results in the youth division:  
All 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners received belt buckles.

Junior Division:

1<sup>st</sup> place Erin Warren  
2<sup>nd</sup> place Rowdy Aiken  
3<sup>rd</sup> place J.R. Warren  
4<sup>th</sup> place Brittany White  
5<sup>th</sup> place Tim Warren

Intermediate Division

1<sup>st</sup> place Tess Warren  
2<sup>nd</sup> place Cody Kelly

(It has been a banner year for those Warren girls. They continue to walk away with prize after prize.)

Senior Division

1<sup>st</sup> place Travis Chapin  
Overall Best Hay  
2<sup>nd</sup> place Brodie Burton  
3<sup>rd</sup> place Jessica Kimbro  
4<sup>th</sup> place Ted Hatch  
5<sup>th</sup> Travis Chapin

These youth are all great contestants and learned a great deal from this experience. Denton County 4-H is proud of all it's members.



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

## 2 0 0 3 - 0 4 Officers and Committee M e m b e r s

### Parent Leader Association

Becky Lawrence, President  
Diane Schwind, Vice President  
Kathy Bartel, Secretary/Treasurer

### 4-H Council

Meghan Schwind  
President

Michael Schwind  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Julia McCormick  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Ted hatch  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President

Jace Beck  
Council Delegate

Molli Schwind  
Secretary

Rebecca Acrey  
Treasurer

Jessica Kimbro  
Reporter

### 4H Horse Committee

will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month.

Officers are:

Amanda Cage, President  
Kalee Hammonds, Vice President  
Chloe Balvin, Secretary  
Jill Beathard, Treasurer  
Rebekah Clarke, Reporter

### 4H Youth Development

**Meeting set for September 30,  
7:00 pm at Extension Office.  
Dinner will be served.**

### 4-H Ambassadors

Jace Beck  
Jessica Kimbro  
Meghan Schwind  
Christopher Gosnell  
Meredith Gosnell  
Allen Copeland  
Chaunsey Hardin  
Jason Reed  
Tori Luisi  
Grace Robison  
Jessica Lawrence  
Kevin Cannon



**There's nothing  
constant but change  
itself....**

**Michele Barber**

## FT Worth Calf Scramble

The entry forms for the calf scramble at Ft.Worth will be at the Denton County Extension Office, October 1. We will be able to nominate 6 individuals from Denton County 4H. Therefore if you would like to scramble at Ft Worth call and reserve an application.

### Lamb & Goat Validation October 21, 2003

If you have a lamb or a goat that you want to show at a major livestock show this year, it must be STATE VALIDATED. The State Validation for Denton County will be **October 21** at the **Krum FFA Project Center.**

Validation Times:  
8:30 am - 11:30 am  
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm



**National Fire Prevention Week  
October 5 -11, 2003**

**4-H Teaching safety all year long**

For the past 81 years, NFPA has been the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week. **This year's theme, "When Fire Strikes: Get Out! Stay Out!"** underscores a simple lesson. Because fire can grow and spread so quickly, you may have as few as two minutes to escape safely. When every second can mean the difference between life and death, advance planning is absolutely essential. Being ready to deal with a home fire isn't difficult; it just takes a little preparation and some practice. **Build your family fire safety procedure Today.**

**Lamb/Goat Clinic & Jackpot Show**

Denton County 4-H will be hosting a Lamb and Goat clinic at the North Texas Fair Grounds on Saturday, October 25, 2003. The clinic will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will be followed by a Jackpot Lamb and Goat Show. Watch for more details



**TEXAS 4-H AT THE TEXAS STAMPEDE**

The Texas Stampede is an annual benefit event to be held **November 7-9, 2003** in Dallas. The organization is a 501(c)(3) non-profit group that has agreed to support Texas 4-H by hosting a 4-H Night on Saturday, November 8 at 7:30 p.m. On this date, 4-H'ers from all over the state of Texas will come together with friends and family to see the ProRodeo Championship Finale, followed by a full-length concert. Support 4-H with your ticket purchase. Although Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> is our designated during the entire weekend under the Texas 4-H code includes a \$5 donation to Texas 4-H! **To Order Discount Tickets:** <http://texasstampede.org/texas4h.html>  
Password: **texas4h**

**September 29<sup>th</sup>  
Denton County Food Show Planning Meeting  
7:00 pm at the Denton County Extension Office.**

**Regional "Listening" Session:** Saturday Nov. 8. Dallas Center. Time-TBA Leaders & Members are invited. Dr. Martha Couch, Asst. Director 4H Youth Development and Mrs. Faith Ballard, Regional Program Director will be on hand to cover changes/revisions that have been discussed for the Texas 4H Program.

**Stampede Event Information:**

November 7 - 7:30 pm - Pro Rodeo Tour Championship Finale & Pat Green concert

November 8 - 5:00 pm - 4-H Friends & Alumni Reception

7:30 pm - Pro Rodeo Tour Championship Finale & Lone Star concert

November 9 - 2 pm - ProRodeo Tour Championship Finale & Sheryl Crow concert

The Sheraton Market Center hotel is offering a \$45/night room rate for Texas 4-H!

2101 Stemmons Freeway  
Dallas, Texas 75207  
More details soon!!!

**2004 Texas Teen Retreat**  
Registration Information  
January 9-11, 2004

Texas Teen Retreat to be held on January 9-11, 2004 at the Texas 4H Center is for 4H member ages 13-19 so that they can learn basic personal skills and leadership techniques.

**Workshop Objectives**

- Develop leadership styles and skills
- Explore Creativity
- Work with audiences of all ages
- Team Dynamics
- Communication Skills
- Community Service opportunities