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Merry Christmas!

From our family to you and yours, have a wonderful, safe, and Merry Christmas!





Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status.

The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating

Anderson County Youth Livestock Show

Important Dates

January 3—Market Hog Validation, livestock arena, 4-6pm March 10—must call Extension Office for rabbit tattoo assignment

March 14—NEW DATE— ACYLS/CRAWFISH BOIL scholarship application due—application here: https://anderson.agrilife.org/files/2021/12/2022-Combined-ACYLACrawfish-Boil-Scholarship-Application.pdf
March 21—Breeding entry night, livestock arena, 4-6pm
March 27—Scholarship Interviews, 3PM, livestock arena
April 10-14—ACYLS



Congratulations.

To our very own Bayli Honeycutt for being selected to the Texas 4-H Compound Archery Team, representing our great state at the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship, held in Nebraska. This is a HUGE honor and spots on the team are extremely difficult to earn. Well done, Bayli!



2022 FUR, FEATHER, & FRIENDS SHOW





REGISTRATION OPENS DEC 13TH



Includes: Breeding Rabbit Show, Poultry Show, Showmanship, Photography Contest, Breed ID, Contest, Crowing Contest, & Costume Contest

A Note From Preston

When I began as your Extension Agent back in early 2016, I was so excited for a new challenge. As a 4-H'er myself, I knew the rewards first-hand that this program could offer youth, and I was so excited to join a team that provided those! Little did I know, I was joining a family—you, good people of Anderson County, embraced me and my wife in your loving arms. As a result of your support, our program has grown in both size and reach. We have kids involved in so many great projects, life-long friendships have been forged, and important lessons have been seared into our future leaders! For all of those things, I am so proud! I've loved every minute spent at a 4-H meeting, driving to camp, early morning as the stock shows, and late-night team practices. I've enjoyed listening to speeches, food shows, project shows—all of it.

My time as your Extension Agent has been sweet and rewarding, but it is coming to an end. With sadness, I write to tell you that my wife, new son, and I have taken an opportunity to move closer to family and embark on a new professional endeavor. Its truly been an honor to serve the 4-H program, and I have no doubt someone with MORE energy, BETTER ideas, and HUGE passion will take my spot to MOVE OUR PROGRAM FURTHER ALONG! As for the program in the meantime, nothing will change—Mrs. Holly, Mr. Truman, and Mrs. Jenna will be able to help with anything you need. Continue raising your livestock, preparing for the next contest, and attending club meetings!

I'm so thankful to have known each and every one of you. If I can ever do anything for you in the future (letters of rec, scholarship review, etc) please don't hesitate to reach out! My personal email is preston.sturdivant@yahoo.com. Also, if you have a Facebook page, please find me on there too! Have a very Merry Christmas, be safe as you travel, and keep engaging in our 4-H program!

Very Sincerely,

Ford, Brooke, and Preston Sturdivant