

## Clay County

### Vision

*Help Texans better their lives*

### Mission Statement

*Through the application of science-based knowledge, we create high-quality, relevant continuing education that encourages lasting and effective change.*

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife.

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US Department of Agriculture, and  
the County Commissioners Courts of  
Texas Cooperating*

## Family & Community Health

**Electric Pressure Cooker**— was a program on how to safely use electric pressure cookers where participants got to participate by making and tasting several recipes. Presented in Henrietta on February 5th with 14 attending.

**Wichita Home & Garden Show**—presented safe cooking with an electric pressure cooker during the Home & Garden Show on February 24th in Wichita Falls.

**Red River Child Care Conference**— offered to 8 surrounding counties to provide required training hours to day care centers and home day cares on March 2nd. 22 attended.

**Hello Neighbor Tour** was held in Precinct 1 with Richard Lowery. Points of interest included the Tex Richard arena with John Greer presenting a history of the life of Tex Richard and how the arena was named after him. Other points visited were the old lumber yard which is now an antique store and the Red River Opera Venue (formerly the old Methodist Church). 61 individuals attended.

**The Welcome to the Real World Challenge** was completed on April 30, 2019 at the Holman Center in Henrietta, Texas. The challenge was a financial management hands on activities with all the seniors in the county making real life choices about how to spend their monthly salary. 109 senior students, 11 school officials and 39 volunteers attended. 159 total.

**Better Living for Texans Programs** include presenting the *Be Well, Live Well* 5 lesson series to Parkview Apartment Residents. These lessons are presented monthly.

**Henrietta Elementary Health Fair**—Extension office staff presented Sugar Shockers, Path to the Plate and No Tobacco to the Henrietta Elementary 4th & 5th grade students on April 25, 2019. 168 attended.

**Newsletters & Facebook**—To promote better health for the adults of Clay County newsletters and Facebook posts on healthy eating habits were provided weekly.

FCH Facebook Page (187 followers)	January-April 75 posts
FCH Newsletter (146 individuals)	February– April

## Agriculture/Natural Resources

**Spring Steer and Heifer Validation**— Ordered 39 Heifer tags and 18 Steer tags as well as 1 state fair goat tag.

**Clay County Pecan Field Day**— Hosted regional field day focusing on Pecan trees at Montz Pecan company. Texas A&M AgriLife pecan specialist spoke as well as Noble Foundation head pecan specialist. Jake Montz provided orchard tour 2 days after tornado. Fish fry sponsored by Helena Chemical and Quality Implementations May 2nd. 35 attended

**Henrietta Water Education Day**—Extension office staff organized and presented water program on conservation, erosion, water cycle, rainfall simulator to Henrietta Elementary students on May 3, 2019. 90 attended.

**Multi county Record Book Workshop**—Agent presented workshop in Vashti to 4-H families from Wichita, Clay, Jack, Archer, Young, Montague, Wise, and Childress Counties on April 2, 2019. 53 attended.

**Clay County Ag Seminar**—Agent and beef committee organized Ag seminar and

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## Ag/NR cont.

**TSCRA Convention**—Agent attended State convention attending workshops and supporting Clay County businesses at the convention.

**Bellevue Career Day**—Spoke at program on careers and opportunities in agriculture on March 8, 2019. 100 attended.

**Texoma Cattle Raisers Meeting**—Presented program on recent extension study on Heifer Longevity as well as update on Livestock/Ag transportation laws on January 10, 2019. 28 attended.

Ag Facebook Page (115 followers) January—April (26 posts)  
Ag Newsletter (186 individuals)

## 4-H & Youth Development

**FCH 4H**— Two Clothing and Textile workshops were provided to youth. Clothing Workshop where members learned about a variety of contests and a Sewing Workshop where members participated in hands-on sewing projects making a pillow case cover and shopping tote. 25 attending.

**AgNR 4H**— County Horse Show—13 participated in preparation for District.  
District Horse Judging— 2 county practices. 8 kids registered for district.  
Senior team placed 4th  
County Rifle and Pistol Shoot off— 26 Clay County 4-Hers participated in 1st county shooting sports contest.  
District Rifle and Pistol contest— 26 4-Hers participated. 4 won top shooter awards in age group. 2 first place teams. Clay County again won overall trophy for 4th straight year.

### **Other 4H Events -**

Clay County Youth Fair— 60 participants and 114 entries  
Clay County Livestock Show— 72 participants  
County Fashion Show— 6 participants  
District Fashion Show— 5 participants; 2 individuals advancing to State Roundup.  
District Duds to Dazzle— 3 participants; Team 1st place advancing to State Roundup.  
District Storyboard Contest— 2 participants  
Photography Contests— County 14 participants with 11 entries; District 2 participants with 7 entries; State 3 seniors with 11 entries.  
District Consumer Decision Making— 8 participants; 4th place Intermediate team, 2nd high individual intermediate.  
District Roundup Educational Presentations— 3 participants  
District Roundup Share the Fun— 2 participants  
State 4-H roundup— Qualified 8 Clay County 4-Hers for State 4-H Roundup

### **4H Scholarships -**

Kalico Burkes—\$20,000.00 Houston Livestock Show Scholarship  
Camrin Byers— \$20,000.00 Houston Livestock Show Scholarship

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