

#### Outcome Summaries:

- 110 producers attend annual Crop Production Clinic
- Seven participate in Quilting Workshops
- 65 youth participate in County and State Livestock Shows
- 103 youth attend Ag Fair Day

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#### Mission Statement

*Improving the lives of people, businesses, and communities across Texas and beyond through high-quality, relevant education.*

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

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

### Agriculture & Natural Resources

A Crop Production Clinic was held in January with 130 area producer, sponsors, and speakers attending. Topics included New Corn Technologies, Resistant Weed Management, Planter Maintenance & Newest Planter Attachments, 200-12 Research Project & Regulation Updates, Best Management Practices in Corn, 2013 Market Outlook, Spider Mite Control in Corn, and Canola Production. 5 CEU's were offered at the event.



A Cotton Production Planning Conference was also held in January with 20 producers in which Cotton Insects, Variety Selection & Variety Trials, Cotton Production Management, and Cotton Marketing were addresses with 3 CEU's offered.

Agent continued making site and one-on-one visits with producers on Livestock and Crop Production issues. Agent also visited with producers on Lowering Inputs and Maximizing Profits. With Carson County's Agriculture value exceeding \$70 million any change in production could have a huge economical impact on Carson County.

### Family & Consumer Sciences

Agent Montgomery offered classes called "Rags To Treasures" quilting classes. Through these classes participants have learned how to read a quilt pattern and figure out how many strips, rectangles and blocks needed for the different colors they purchased. They learned to assemble the quilt by alternating the different color rectangles and blocks in sewing the quilt together.



Agent Montgomery also offered a Mother's Day workshop for those that were interested in making small projects to take home for moms. Two of the projects were made were a Grocery Bag Holder and a Potholder Topped Hanging Towel.

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## 4-H & Youth Development



Agents continue to work with Carson County Youth LAB and the Panhandle Groundwater District to prepare and organize a water festival to be presented to Carson County elementary age youth.

Carson County Extension Agents assisted in conducting the annual Ag Literacy Program to all of Carson and Armstrong county 4th graders. Educational programs were conducted in all major area crops, livestock, water conservation, as well as electrical safety. This program was conducted during the first part of March. The Carson County Livestock Show was held in January with 130 youth exhibiting 205 livestock projects which included 68 4-H youth exhibiting 93 projects. The sale exceeded \$98,000 in support of the youth. Livestock projects teach youth responsibility, livestock evaluation, nutrition, ethics, and citizenship. Carson County had 19 4-H members attend major livestock shows across the state including Ft. Worth, San Angelo, San Antonio, Houston, and Austin. These shows broaden their opportunities in social skills and learning about other areas as well as learning more about their livestock projects. There were 265 livestock projects validated in Carson County.

Carson County 4-H'ers have been busy working on clothing projects, leadership, community service workshops, Consumer Decision Making, and Livestock Judging. 4-H'ers gain leadership experiences by holding a jewelry workshop using a kit. Another 4-H'er has taught 4-H members how to make fabric headbands and bracelets.

## CRED

Agents continue to work with Carson County Leadership Advisory Board to bring timely and relevant educational programs to the residents of Carson county. Carson County Agents continue to work on bringing Water Wise educational materials to the residents of the county. Water continues to be and will always be an issue that affects the lives of area residents.

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