



# Bexar County 4-H

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## Thanks to Our Sponsor

Converse 4-H is proud to sponsor the June newsletter. Converse 4-H meets the first Monday of each month-starting again in September. We meet at the Jay Hill Center at Boysville and we would like for you to join us. Converse 4-H is the oldest continuing club in Texas.

## \$10,000 Scholarships!!!

IT'S OFFICIAL - San Antonio Livestock Exposition announced that ten \$10,000 college scholarships will be awarded to Bexar County 4-H members. Scholarships must be used for a major in Agriculture and Life Sciences that lead to a career in agriculture or agribusiness; must be used at a Texas college or university. Scholarship applications are due to our office by June 30. We will need the original and four (4) copies. Call our office if you are interested in an application.



## New 4-H Council Officers Elected!!

Congratulations to the new Council Officers:

- President-Ryan Baring
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President-Jessica Geistweidt
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President-Eric Hinojosa
- Secretary-Christina Arnold
- Treasurer-Kelly Schuh
- 1<sup>st</sup> Council Delegate-Daniel Gee
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Council Delegate-Andrew Brooks
- Alt. Delegate-Allison Wiatrek

New Adult Leaders Elected!

- President-Roy Baring
- Vice President-Debby Rice
- Secretary-Jamie Miranda

## Club Manager Training

This training is for leaders who want to be new club managers and existing club managers. It is very important that someone from your club attend this meeting. Two dates are available for you to attend: July 31, 11 a.m.–1 p.m. at the County Extension office **OR** August 3, 7 p.m. at the County Extension office

Anything and everything you need to run your club will be handed out at this meeting. Please mark your calendar **NOW**. We will give out new file boxes to all club managers. If you already have a file box, please bring it and we will help you update it.

## We're Moved

Our our new address is 3355 Cherry Ridge Dr. S-212, San Antonio, Texas 78230, near I-10 and 410 intersection. Map to our new location is on the website under 4-H Contacts or Events. Our office is off of Cherry Ridge on Briar Ridge near Pinebrook. We are right across the street from the Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. Our office is in the North Court building. Our sign is not up yet, but we are in S-212. When you get a chance, come and visit us at our new location.

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## Turkey Orders – DUE June 26

For the 2000-2001 show season (San Antonio, Houston and Bexar County) turkey poult orders are due to the County Extension office by Monday, June 26. Submit your request in writing with your name (first and last name of each child exhibiting), address, social security # (of child exhibiting), phone number, parents first name and how many birds you are ordering. Please specify what shows you will be exhibiting at (S.A.L.E., Houston or Bexar County). Families are limited to a minimum of 10 and a maximum order of 50 birds (per family) at \$3.50 each. Entry fees for S.A.L.E., Houston and Bexar County will be paid separate when you fill out your entry cards for those shows. Make your check payable to Bexar County 4-H Fund.

Example: Brown Family, 3427 Chirp Stree, San Antonio, Tx. 78219 Mary Brown 833-9867

Susie Brown-SS#331-66-3334

Jerry Brown-SS#845-99-0063

Parkway 4-H Club, 50 poult @ \$3.50 = \$175.00 Exhibit at Houston and Bexar County Shows

**For your information:** Poultry are very susceptible to many diseases and especially respiratory diseases. In order to keep a possible outbreak under control the shows have decided a terminal poultry show is best. None of the birds are returned to home flocks, so the chances of spreading poultry diseases then are greatly reduced.

## 4-H Gun, Rod and Archery Association

Bexar County 4-H Association has been formed to promote outdoor activities focusing on the shooting sports and sportfishing for 4-H youth. If you are interested (youth or adult) we will be meeting on Monday, June 26 at 119 Prado (Olmos Park City Offices) at 7 p.m.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual “Golden Bonefish” Tournament

This is a carp fishing tournament open to all youth, leaders and parents. You may enter as many times as you wish with only one entry fee. Fishing can be done from the bank of a local creek, river, lake or pond. For more information contact our office.

## Host Family Needed

Mr. Ching Po Lo from Taiwan will be visiting Texas July 1-August 3 and wants to learn about 4-H and life on a farm or ranch in Texas. Other families are needed for other visitors, contact our office for more information.

## Newsletter Sponsors

We are looking for sponsors for this newsletter. We give advertising space in the newsletter and put a flyer inside. Call Karen or Pam at 467-6575.

## District Vegetable Show

Date: June 6

Place: Kendall County Fairgrounds, Boerne

There will be 42 classes of vegetables. All 4-H members are eligible to enter this contest. Vegetable must come from the 4-H member's garden or the family garden. Contact the County Extension office for an entry form and guidelines.

## HOT Salsa Camp

Sign up fast for the three-day HOT Salsa Camp. It will be at Boysville from 9:00 a.m. –3:30 p.m. August 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>. The first day will consist of Horticulture hands-on learning activities. The second day of Food Safety & Nutrition lessons you will make, taste and take home your own. And on the third day you will learn how to design a small business and market a product.



This program is being offered for those 4-H members who are curious about the HOT Salsa project but have not had the time to pursue it yet. We have opened up the program to other counties as well and will fill it on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a \$10 fee for the three-day program and a registration form (in this newsletter) that must be filled out. Call Karen or Rene for more information.

## Beef Cattle Workshop

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 17, 9 a.m. at Boysville. We will go over trimming, hair coat care, and showmanship. Bring your clippers, your trimming chutes and your calf. We are also requesting an RSVP by June 15<sup>th</sup> for a hamburger lunch that will be free to all of those that RSVP, but \$20 for those that do not! Call Joe at 467-6575 to reserve your spot today.

## Hoof Trimming Workshop

Now that we have most of the steer and heifer projects on feed, it's time to think about hoof trimming. Proper hoof trimming is necessary to compete in today's cattle show rings. I will provide hoof trimming free to any 4-H member in Bexar County. If your beef project needs hoof trimming, call Joe at 467-6575 to set up an appointment. I will do the trimming at my house, after 5:30 p.m. during the week and on weekends with an appointment.

## Validations

The Bexar County Junior Livestock Show and all major shows require steers, lambs, goats and hogs to be validated in accordance with the current Texas Validation System. Steer validation will be June 22, at Boysville from 3-8 p.m. Lamb, goat and hog validation tag order dates have not been set at this time. Watch for the dates and order form in the next newsletter.

## Natural Resource Scholarship

A small scholarship with a great internship connected is available. They are looking for both high school seniors who will go to college and major in Natural Resource related majors and for college age juniors and seniors. The scholarship award is approximately \$600. Awardees are also given paid summer internships. Call Karen for more information.

## CORE -New Program

The CORE Program is being offered as an opportunity to enhance your knowledge and skills in Natural Resources. An 8 session course to cover topics such as: aquatics, wildlife, conservation ethics, soil and water conservation and firearm safety. Meeting dates are: June 17<sup>th</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup>, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, and Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>.

Sessions will be held at the Boysville 4-H Meeting Room in Converse. For more information, call Rene at (210) 467-6575.

## It's Calendar Time

Date: Thursday, June 22  
Time: 7 p.m.  
Place: County Extension office

This meeting is for all parents, teen and adult volunteers who want to help schedule dates for project trainings, special events and activities, contests, etc. for the 2000-2001 4-H calendar. It is very important that your club is represented at this meeting. Please make every effort to attend. Give us a idea of what trainings you would like to discuss on the form enclosed in this newsletter.

## School is out for the Summer

You will not need eligibility forms for any events occurring during the summer. Example: State Roundup, District Horse Show, Record Book Judging, etc. If you have any questions, please call.

## Pig Scales

A set of pig scales for sale. Call 650-9384 for more information.

## Need More Information?

If you need more information on anything posted in the newsletter, you now have many options for getting it.

1. Call Your Club Manager
2. Call Your Project Leader
3. Check Our New Website
4. Call the Extension Office



## News From Bexar County 4-H Clubs

Ft. Sam Youth Riders 4-H met on May 12. They would like to thank Glen Faulk for his help and Mr. Pisseri for donating hay and feed for use to give to Brighter Days. They are looking forward to attending Schlitterbahn this summer. Reporter: Jennifer Hungerford

East Central 4-H met on May 1. They discussed the end of the year party and decided to go to Schlitterbahn in June. They also elected officers for the 200-2001 4-H year. President-Christina Arnold, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President-Jessica Geistweidt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President-Kim Geistweidt, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President-Merritt Mock, Secretary-Krystal Nichols, Treasurer-Ashleigh Geistweidt, Council Delegate-Matt Kraus and Megan Kraus, Reporter-Jessica Ciomperlick, Parliamentarian-Cowboy Mock and Historian-Ashley Shaw. They discussed the PWC (People Who Care) \$100 dance that is coming up in May. This was their last meeting for the 1999-2000 year. They want to wish everyone a great summer and they'll see you next year. Reporter: Kimberleigh Geistweidt. And Megan Kraus

Leon Valley 4-H met on May 8. They went over last month's Craft Project Easter Eggs; Fashion Show Project results and enjoyed many talks and demonstrations given by club members. They discussed the planning of the end of the year party and getting started on record books. They will be electing new officers soon. Mrs. Harris gave everyone a bottle of bubbles and they had fun blowing bubbles. Reporter: Jacqueline Garcia.

Encino 4-H met on May 10. The end of the year party was scheduled for June 8. Elections took place and the new officers are as follows: President-Lyndsey Phillips, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President-Emily Marchand, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President-Lauren Domenech, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President-Meredith Ghrist, Secretary-Christin Spradling, Treasurer-Katie Domenech, Historian-Kari Clegg, Reporter-Stephanie Cone, Council Delegate-Tice Parker and Parliamentarian-Barrett Parker. Reporter:Christin Spradling.

Blue Ridge 4-H met on May 20. They went to Alamo Area Arabian Horse Show. They audited the riders and discussed the flaws on how to correct the problems. Many thanks to Azgard Farms/Tina Gary and Beverly Mobley. Reporter: B.R. Gary

Blue Ridge 4-H met on May 23. Four of their members took a Boy Scout group on a educating tour of a farm/ranch. Thanks to Alisann Gunthery and Azgard Farms, Inc. Five of their members are part of a community service organization: Riders of Azgard Search and Rescur Team. Their president announced he will be resigning to take a job in Australia.

## See Our Website!

Visit the Bexar County 4-H Web Site at: <http://agfacts.tamu.edu/D10/Bexar/4H/index.htm>. Check out all of the pictures and great information. You can also reach this site at [bexar-tx.tamu.edu](http://bexar-tx.tamu.edu).

You can go to the A&M website and find any publication A&M has available at <http://texaserc.tamu.edu>.

## Club Officer Training

Date: August 4  
Time: 1-4 p.m.  
Place: Boysville

All new club officers and council officers should attend this training.

## Record Book Critique

We have had many questions about Record Books from 4-H leaders and members who want to do their best on this important project. I hope we have found the best way to officer assistance.

Date: June 23  
Time: 3-6 p.m. (must make an appointment)  
Place: County Extension Office

Joe Taylor and myself will be available upon appointment during those times to review specific record book questions and strategies. **REMINDER, YOU MUST CALL TO SET A TIME TO MEET.** This will ensure everyone gets the assistance they want. Call Pam early to set a time to come in that day.

## Record Book Forms on Disk

Junior and senior record book forms are available on computer dish. If you would like one, give Pam a call. We need to know what program your computer has (WordPerfect, Word, etc.). If you bring us a disk it's free, if you need a disk its \$1.

## Record Books DUE July 7<sup>th</sup> by 10 a.m.

All record books or project forms are due for judging to the County Extension office by July 7<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m.

A 2000 year pin application form must be clipped to the inside front cover of your record book or attached to the front of the project form. The application form must be signed by your Club Manager or it will not be accepted.

A member receives a 4-H year pin by submitting a project form only. A member receives a year pin plus a project medal when the complete record book is submitted. **NOTE:** A record book is required to be eligible for Bronze, Silver or Gold Star awards. Contact your club manager or record book leader for a copy of the year pin application or call our office.

## Rookie of the Year Award

Club Manager please submit the name of your club's Rookie of the Year by July 7<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. so that recognition certificates can be prepared for the County Awards Program. Please check your Awards and Recognition Handbook for qualifications.

## ALERT...Bronze, Silver and Gold Star Awards

If you are applying for one of these awards, you must fill out a pre-application form enclosed in this newsletter. This form is due to the County Extension office by June 16<sup>th</sup>.

**REMINDER:** If you are submitting a record book for the bronze or silver star awards, you must submit your original record book, plus two copies. If you are submitting a record book for the gold star award, you must submit your original record book, plus four copies. Copies will not be allowed to be made at our office. The copies will be used for judging. Copies can be one sided or two sided, copy quality is not judged.

The Gold Star quota for Bexar County this year is 5. If you are applying for this award, review the Awards and Recognition handbook to make sure you qualify. Then fill out the Star Award Pre-form enclosed in this newsletter. When you turn in your record book make sure you fill out the year pin application and this year, you'll need to complete the Gold Star Award Biographical Sketch form. Interviews are scheduled for one day only, July 20<sup>th</sup>, make sure you will be available that day.

## Club Scrapbooks

Club scrapbooks are due for judging on or before July 7<sup>th</sup>. There are cash awards for 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> places. Scrapbook guidelines have been sent to all Project Leaders and Club Managers. If you need a copy, give us a call.

## Record Book Judging

Bexar County is trading books with two other counties. Judging of the other counties books will be Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the County Extension office. If you would like to help judge, please give us a call.

## District Record Book Judging

If you would like to help judge, it will be right here in San Antonio, on July 25. Call our office to get more information.

## District Mega Meeting

This meeting is a good time to provide input on how 4-H projects and contests are organized. Members have the opportunity to run for leadership positions on various project committees. If you are interested, please contact our office for more information.

## County 4-H Awards Program

A date has been set for our Awards Program:

Date: Thursday, August 10, 7 p.m.  
Place: Helotes Activity Center

Mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend. All county awards and \$10,000 college scholarships will be presented.

## Congratulations

News on a 4-H Alumni member

Darrell Walter, alumni of East Central 4-H was a member of the Texas A&M spring poultry judging team. They attended the National Poultry Judging Contest held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in April. The A&M team placed 1<sup>st</sup> at Nationals and Darrell was 5<sup>th</sup> high individual in judging broiler & breeders.

Special Thanks:

Many thanks to Carol Haman and family. They helped fold, staple and colate booklets.

District Roundup Results:

Agronomy-Sr.-Christina Arnold & Jessica Geistweidt-3<sup>rd</sup>

Clothing Educational Activity-Sr.-Jacquelina Lerma-2<sup>nd</sup>, Jr.-Janet & Tim Pursell-1<sup>st</sup> and Christi Davis-4<sup>th</sup> Pre-Jr.-Amanda Dunnell-2<sup>nd</sup>

Companion Animals-Sr.-Richard Lewis-2<sup>nd</sup>, Jr.-Meredith Ghrist & Emily King-1<sup>st</sup>

Consumer Life Skills-Sr.-Kari Clegg & Emily Marchand-1<sup>st</sup>

Entomology-Sr.-Kevin Moczygemba-1<sup>st</sup>

Family Life Educational Activity-Sr.-Sara Rice-1<sup>st</sup>

Focus on Health-Sr.-Kathryn Domenech & Lyndsey Phillips-1<sup>st</sup>

Food & Nutrition Educational Activity-Jr.-Lauren Domenech & Christine Spradling-1<sup>st</sup>, MaryEster Lewis-2<sup>nd</sup>

Food Show-Main Dish-Sr.-Michelle Sayers-1<sup>st</sup>

Housing & Home Environment-Sr.-Jeremy Rice-1<sup>st</sup>, Jr.-Rachel Marchand-1<sup>st</sup>

Landscape or Production Horticulture-Sr.-Barrett Parker & Tice Parker-1<sup>st</sup>

Natural Resources-Sr.-Greg Holtsford & Matthew Kraus-2<sup>nd</sup>

Open Class-Sr.-Kelly Schuh-1<sup>st</sup>

Pork-Pre-Jr.-Brittany Mair & Katie Mair-1<sup>st</sup>

Poultry-Sr.-Jr.-Kimberleigh Geistweidt & Megan Kraus-2<sup>nd</sup>

Promote 4-H-Sr.-Dana Ballard-1<sup>st</sup>, Jr.-Kelly Jonas & Holly MacRossin-3<sup>rd</sup>

Public Speaking-Sr.-Ryan Baring-2<sup>nd</sup>

Rabbit-Jr.-Mark Miranda & Mitchell Miranda-2<sup>nd</sup>

Safety & Accident Prevention-Jr.-Anne Baring-1<sup>st</sup>, Pre-Jr.-Paden Allen-1<sup>st</sup>

Share the Fun-Comedian-Matthew Miranda

Share the Fun-Drama-Sr.-Eric Hinojosa, Ryan Hinojosa & Jacqueline Reynolds-1<sup>st</sup>, Jr.-Joel Rice-1<sup>st</sup>

Share the Fun-Poet-Sr.-Russell Marchand-1<sup>st</sup>, Pre-Jr.-Catherine Marchand-1<sup>st</sup>

Sweepstakes Winners:

Juniors: Companion Animals (Meredith Ghrist & Emily King), Housing & Home Environment (Rachel Marchand) and Food & Nutrition (Laruen Domenech & Christine Spradling)

Seniors: Landscape or Production Horticulture (Barrett Parker & Tice Parker), Family Life Educational Activity (Sara Rice)

# Good Luck to State Roundup participants.....

Karen Guz  
County Extension Agent  
Bexar County

Rene Mosqueda  
County Extension Agent  
Bexar County

Margie Chapman  
County Extension Agent  
Bexar County

Joe Taylor  
County Extension Agent  
Bexar County

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**STAR AWARDS—DUE JUNE 16th**

I will submit a record book for the following: (check one)

Bronze Star \_\_\_\_\_

Silver Star \_\_\_\_\_

Gold Star \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

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**CALENDAR MEETING - DUE June 15...**

Tell us what you what???? We are open to any project workshops/trainings. It is very important that you attend this meeting. Give us a idea of what workshops/trainings you would like to plan at the meeting. Please fill out this form and return to our office by June 11th.

Subject

Topic

Month Training Requested

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This meeting is scheduled to plan all workshops, project leader trainings or committee meetings for the >2000-2001 year. Let us know **NOW** or **FOREVER** hold your peace. Come and join us plan the >2000-2001 activities for you on Thursday, June 22, 7 p.m.

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**HOT Salsa Camp Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ (12 –18 yr.)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency# \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size: S M L XL

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Registration fee \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

Chaperone \_\_\_\_\_ Chaperone Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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