## Bexar County 4-H RocksI



## Oct. 21, 2019

# **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

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## DEADLINES AT A GLANCE:

- OCT 21 <u>South Texas Double Trouble Prospect Show Deadline</u>
- OCT 23 Lamb & Goat Validation @ East Central HS
- OCT 23 <u>County Food Show/Food Challenge Entry DEADLINE</u>
- OCT 24 County Recordbook Training @ Ext. Office 6:30 PM
- OCT 25 Major Show Calf Scrambles DUE! See page 2
- OCT 25 Junior Leadership Retreat Early Registration Deadline
- OCT 25 <u>Shooting Sports Coaches Training, Stephenville TX DUE</u>
- OCT 25 <u>Nueces County 4-H Robotics Competition Deadline</u>
- OCT 26 <u>Hill Country Livestock Judging Contest, Mason TX</u>
- OCT 26 Fall Heifer Validation @ East Central HS
- OCT 29 Scholarship Training @ Ext. Office 6:30 PM
- NOV 1- BCJLS Entry Deadline on ShowWorks
  - NOV 1 County Roundup (Ed. Pres./Public Spkg. DUE!)
- NOV 1- Early Registration for Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out DUE
- NOV 2 County Food Show & Food Challenge Contest
- NOV 2 <u>Guadalupe County SumoBot Competition Deadline</u>
- NOV 2- Build a Barn, Raise a Child Fall Festival
- NOV 4 <u>County Roundup Eligibility DUE!</u>
- NOV 5 District 10 FALL Roundup Early Registration Deadline
- NOV 7 District 10 FALL Roundup LATE Registration +\$25
- NOV 8 County One Day 4-H Donation Items Due See page 7
- NOV 9 County Educational Presentation/Public Speaking Contest
- NOV 9 Jackpot Goat Roping Show at Spring Creek Stables
- NOV 8 <u>Major Show Entries DEADLINE!</u>
- NOV 12 Swine Validation @ Gerlach Barns
- NOV 15 <u>BCJLS Hard Copies and Payments Due</u>
- NOV 15 <u>SandHills Stock Show Entry DUE</u>
- NOV 16 <u>Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Lamb & Goat Showdown</u>
- NOV 16 Gonzales 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Come and Break It Clay Tournament
- NOV 22 <u>4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project Workshop Deadline</u>
- NOV 23 <u>Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Swine Showdown</u>
  - NOV 23 <u>Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out @ San Antonio Gun Club</u>
- NOV 25 Junior Master Photography Training #2 DUE on 4-H Connect
  - NOV 26 Swine Validation @ East Central
- DEC 4 DEC 6 District 10 FALL Roundup in Kerrville, TX
- DEC 12 District 10 4-H Virtual Conference (Save the Date!)
- DEC 31 <u>SA Cactus & Xerophyte Society Youth Division Deadline</u>
   IAN 6 Texas Conservation Essay and Poster Contest Deadline
  - JAN 6 Texas Conservation Essay and Poster Contest Deadline
- MAR 6 <u>Norman Vestal Scholarship Deadline</u>
- MAR 15 <u>TAMU Soil and Crop Science Scholarship Deadline</u>

# ▲ QUICK LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! ▲

## Please read the following Important Reminders:

 2020 Calf Scramble Information: During each rodeo performance at the stock show, children are encouraged to participate in the "Calf Scramble". Each major show hosts its own Calf Scramble event. If selected to scramble, you will attend a rodeo performance and attempt to catch a wild calf. If you catch a calf, you will receive a certificate to purchase an animal which you will then exhibit the following year. REMINDER: You are **not** eligible to scramble at a show where you have previously caught a calf. You must be enrolled in 4-H for the 2019-2020 year. You must also be academically eligible at the time of your Calf Scramble. If you are interested in participating in any of the major calf scrambles, complete the calf scramble form available below for each unique show you wish to participate and return to our office. You MUST bring the original copy (not photocopy) with original signatures to our office to enter the Scramble. You are also welcome to mail your forms to our office: Attn: Patricia Valdillez, 3355 Cherry Ridge Drive, S-212, San Antonio, Texas 78230. ALL FORMS MUST BE PHYSICALLY IN OUR OFFICE BY FRIDAY OCTOBER 25, 2019 by 5 PM.

#### Fort Worth Calf Scramble

Age Requirement: Must 14, 15, 16 or 17 years of age on January 1, 2020 and not beyond their junior year of High School. (Born 9/01/02 – 1/01/2006) Fort Worth Scramble Entry Form

#### • San Antonio Calf Scramble

Age Requirement: Applicant must have reached their 12<sup>th</sup>, but NOT their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 1, 2020 and not be enrolled beyond their Junior year in high school.

#### \*San Antonio Calf Scramble Entry form MUST BE NOTARIZED

SALE Scramble Entry Form (See PDFs at the bottom of the page)

#### • Rodeo Austin Calf Scramble

Age Requirement: Applicant must have reached their 12<sup>th</sup> bur not their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday on August 31, year prior to Show. <u>Rodeo Austin Scramble Entry Form</u>

#### • San Angelo Calf Scramble

Age Requirement: Ages 13-18. Must have reached 13<sup>th</sup>, but not 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on or by February 1, 2020. <u>San Angelo Scramble Form</u>

#### Houston Calf Scramble

Age Requirement: Applicant must have reached their 14<sup>th</sup>, but NOT their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on Jan. 1, 2020 and not be enrolled beyond their junior year in high school.

\*Applicant is required to pass the Quality Counts Verification test for entry. Calf Scramble entrants will not be accepted without the verification code. The test can be found at <a href="http://agrilife.org/qualitycounts/">http://agrilife.org/qualitycounts/</a> \*Applicant must weigh at least 100 lbs.

\*Houston Calf Scramble Entry form MUST BE NOTARIZED Houston Scramble Entry Form

 Don't Forget, County Food Show/Food Challenge Entries due October 23rd @ 5pm! Click here for County Food Show/Challenge Packet (Includes entry forms, eligibility form and rules).



#### **Location**

Note: Parents and exhibitors are asked to be available during validation in order to complete required

paperwork. Parents must be present or have completed a parental waiver form in advance.

#### **Fall Heifer Validation**

October 26<sup>th</sup> – 9-11 am East Central

Lambs and Goats Validation

- October 10<sup>th</sup> 3:30-6 pm O'Connor
  - October 17<sup>th</sup> 3-6 pm Madison
- October 23<sup>rd</sup> 5-7 pm East Central

**Major Show Entry Deadline** 

November 8<sup>th</sup> – Bexar Ext. Office

Utilize this <u>CHECKLIST</u> to ensure that your entries are COMPLETE and CORRECT for each show!

#### **Swine Validation**

- November 12<sup>th</sup> 3-5:30 pm Gerlach
- November 26<sup>th</sup> 3-6 pm East Central

4-H Livestock Series - Project Selection



Major Show updates are available online!

Remember to reference the premium list and pay attention to animal health requirements.

- 1. Fort Worth <u>www.frssr.com</u>
- 2. San Antonio <u>www.sarodeo.com</u>
- 3. San Angelo <u>www.sanangelorodeo.com</u>
- 4. Houston <u>www.hlsr.com</u>
- 5. Austin <u>www.rodeoaustin.com</u>

## ALL MAJOR SHOW ENTRIES DUE NOV. 8, 2019

\* Academic Eligibility Reminder – Reminder to all members for the new 4-H year that all competitive stock show events will require academic eligibility forms to be completed by 4-H members. Even if the events take place on weekends, UIL rules state, you must be academically eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. It is your responsibility to follow through and take the form to your school for them to check if you are academically eligible to participate in the event. Due date to return the form to our office will ALWAYS be at the top of the form. You are responsible for accounting for the days you are absent from school. The 10-day absence limitation is clearly defined in the UIL Rules - Texas Administrative Code 97.113. It is imperative that you be aware of and adhere to the requirements.

#### Scheduling Project Visits

Sam is available and happy to assist families with their animal projects if they have questions or need help. Sam would like to see as many projects as possible before show season. Please give Sam a call (210.631.0400) to get your project visit scheduled. Additionally you may also reach him at <u>Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu</u>



More information about show schedules and registration is available on the

## **Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders Meetings**

- Information: The Bexar County 4-H Horse Leaders will be meeting once a month to help plan and execute fun Horse activities and events for members across the County. This is an excellent volunteer opportunity for both adults and youth! Please see the meeting dates below and attend if you'd like to join. Meetings are held at the Bexar County 4-H office (3355 Cherry Ridge Dr., S-208, San Antonio TX 78230) @ 6:30 PM. Questions? Contact Melanie Wilcox-Faulkner at MelanieDVM@satx.rr.com
  - November 18, 2019
  - December 16, 2019
  - January 20, 2020
  - February 17, 2020
  - March 16, 2020
  - April 20, 2020
  - May 18, 2020
  - June 15, 2020
  - July 20, 2020
  - August 17, 2020

#### Quality Counts

- Information: This is a reminder that Quality Counts verification is required for all major livestock show entries this year, including State Fair of Texas and Heart 'O Texas Fair. This verification needs to be completed *prior* to livestock show *entry*. County and local shows may also require Quality Counts completion, so be sure to check show rules. There are some very important updates and reminders below that will affect the verification process for your exhibitors, so please read carefully. Also please check out our FAQ sheet here for more answers!
- \*Important: There are <u>NEW ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTIONS LOCATED HERE</u>. These are <u>different</u> than the ones distributed last year, so please <u>discard any previous instructions</u> and use the attached. You can always point exhibitors here for more info: <u>https://texasyouthlivestock.com/quality-counts/</u> Note: These new instructions will not affect any exhibitors who have previously completed or are currently working on the curriculum/exam.
- \*Important: Please always encourage your livestock exhibitor families to use Mozilla Firefox<sub>™</sub> internet when completing the Quality Counts curriculum and exam. This program is best suited for our system and will ensure a smooth experience.
- \*Important: New this year, we have a helpdesk in place to help assist with any technical concerns regarding the Quality Counts curriculum site. These folks are prepared to help with computer/system related problems, such as potential glitches in the course users may experience. They can also help with passwords and other login information. They can be reached here: <a href="mailto:learnonline@ag.tamu.edu">learnonline@ag.tamu.edu</a>
- \*Important: Exhibitors only need to be verified once as a Junior (grades 3-5), once as an Intermediate (grades 6-8), and once as a Senior (grades 9-12). Exhibitors do NOT have to complete the curriculum/exam every year.
- Based on feedback from last year Quality Counts is now hosted on a new curriculum platform that should serve more appealing for exhibitors and their families. This includes some things like: improved junior content that is more suitable to this audience, a reduced registration process, and enhanced learner experience features. Because of this, even if a user created an account last year and are enrolling in a new grade category, they will need to create a new account. This is because we transitioned websites for improvements.

#### LATE Major Lamb/Goat and/or Swine Tag Orders

• Information: Late Major Show tags are available with a LATE FEE CHARGE. Any questions regarding tag orders should be directed to <u>Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu</u>. REMINDER! County tags should be purchased ON SITE at validation for \$2 each.

Lamb/Goat Tag Order Form (Word Doc) Lamb/Goat Tag Order Form (PDF) Swine Tag Form DOC Swine Tag Form PDF

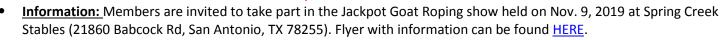
#### **NEW Swine Breed Classification Guidelines**

 Information: This series of guidelines is a collaboration by the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association, Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas, Animal Industries Committee, Texas FFA, Texas 4-H and Texas Pork Producers Association. <u>https://agrilife.org/bexarcounty/files/2019/08/2019-2020-Final-Swine-Classicication-Doc.pdf</u>

#### Hill Country Livestock Judging Contest – October 26, 2019

- Information: Llano County Extension Office is hosting an invitational Livestock Judging contest on October 26, 2019 at the Jordan Cattle Auction (204 Gooch Ave., Mason TX, 76856). Please see flyer for more information.
- <u>2019 Flyer</u>

# Jackpot Goat Roping – Nov. 9, 2019



#### Bexar County Junior Livestock Show – December 16-18, 2019

Information: The Bexar County Junior Livestock Show information is updated on their website: <u>http://bcjls.com</u>

Club managers must enter all county show entries into ShowWorks by November 1<sup>st.</sup> We will be emailing all club managers their login passwords THIS WEEK. Please make sure to check emails. BCJLS Eligibility forms will be released in early November. Please call the office if you have any questions! Hard copies of entry forms and payment must be received by BCJLS no later than Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. Paperwork should be sent to:

> To: BCJLS POBox 1193 Adkins, Texas 78101.

#### Build a Barn, Raise a Child Fall Festival- November 2, 2019

- Information: The Build A Barn, Raise A Child Fall Festival is a special event to help BCJLS raise money for their Build a Barn project. We would love to have everyone come out and participate in some way! 4-H members are welcome to come play, volunteer, or host a game booth. Festival organizers are looking for craft vendors. For game booths, 4-H clubs would be responsible for designing the booth, manning booth and providing prizes. All guests pay by tickets. ½ of the proceeds collected at the booth will go to the 4-H club and the other 1/2 will go to the fundraiser.
- <u>Details</u>: Where: Bexar County Jr. Livestock Show Grounds 7701 FM 1346, San Antonio, TX 78229. Please see flyer <u>here</u>. For questions or to sign up please email <u>info@jtbusinessconnection.com</u>.

#### Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Swine, Goat and Lamb Showdown

**Information:** The two day event will feature swine, goats, and lambs with showmanship for each category.

- <u>Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Lamb & Goat Showdown</u>: Show held on Saturday, November 16, 2019. Lambs and Goat, Showmanship (Pee Wee, Junior, Senior, and Old Timers), Judge: Brad Johnson Entry Fee and Registration: \$20 per animal. Click <u>here</u> to see Flyer. <u>Register here</u>.
- <u>Helotes Clover Classic Hill Country Swine Showdown</u>: Show held on Saturday, November 23, 2019. Swine 8-Breed format, Showmanship (Pee Wee, Junior, Senior, and Old Timer) Judge: Luke Lindner. Entry fee and registration: \$20.00 per animal pre-registered and \$25.00 day of registration. Click <u>here</u> to see Flyer. <u>Register here.</u>



#### 2019 Norman Vestal Memorial Rotary Scholarship – Due Mar. 6, 2020

Information: The Rotary Club of San Antonio will grant five \$500 scholarships to area graduating high school seniors from Bexar County who plan to pursue a career in Agri-life (to include Agri-business). The deadline to apply for the 2020-2021 Norman Vestal Memorial Rotary Scholarship is Friday, March 6, 2020. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. To apply please read the following eligibility and application guidelines <u>HERE</u>.

#### 2019 Soil & Crop Sciences Scholarship – Texas A&M University – Due Mar. 15, 2020

<u>Information:</u> The Soil & Crop Sciences Department at Texas A&M University has a great opportunity for students wanting to major in Plant & Environmental Soil Science and Turfgrass Science. The department is awarding \$16,000 scholarships to incoming freshmen and \$8000 scholarships to transfer students. Please see the <u>Flyer HERE</u> for information about the scholarships and the application process. You can also find the information at this link: <u>https://soilcrop.tamu.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/scholarships/</u>. Deadline for Fall Transfers is March 15, 2020

Please also see this Major Page pdf that describes the degrees and career possibilities of Plant & Environmental Soil Science and Turfgrass Science majors. Follow us on our social media to see what our current students are

doing......internships, study abroad programs, and life in the department. FOLLOW US | @AggieSoilCrop 阃 矷 😢

## 2019-2020 County Council Meeting Calendar – "Who's Your Neighbor?"

- <u>Information:</u> 4-H Club members and delegates are encouraged and invited to this year's 4-H County Council meetings! This year's meetings will be themed "Who's Your Neighbor?" and have an educational component on meeting your fellow neighbor and improving your local community. Each meeting will be held at the Bexar County 4-H Office (3355 Cherry Ridge Dr., S-208, SATX 78230) @ 7pm. Parents are encouraged to attend as well and join in during the Adult Leaders Association meeting. Dates are:
  - November 14, 2019 Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM
  - January 23, 2020 Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM
  - March 5, 2020 Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM
  - May 14, 2020 Bexar Ext. Office @ 7PM

# Bexar County ONE DAY 4-H PROJECT

• <u>Information:</u> We welcome all Bexar County clubs to participate in the County Council One Day 4-H County Event; Snacks for Firefighters! Please have yourself or your club donate drinks (Gatorade, sport drinks, water) and any type of snacks (Salty preferred). This will go to firefighters who often use their own money to buy these items. In appreciation for their hard work, **please deliver your donations to the extension office no later than November 8th.** 

#### **SUPPORT YOUR TEXAS 4-H CENTER**

• <u>Information:</u> Join The Texas 4-H Council for the 2019-2020 State Service Project in supporting the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood, Texas. They will be taking donations and organizing ways to give back to the 4-H Center. Donation Link: <u>https://texas4hfoundationorg/give/</u> See flyer <u>here.</u>

#### **\*NEW\* JUNIOR MASTER PHOTOGRAPHER Program (Brochure)**

Information: The Texas 4-H Junior Master Photographer (JMP) program provides advanced instruction to photography enthusiasts. Members who complete this program will receive the Junior Master Photographer pin and certificate. Certified JMPs in 9<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to apply to the <u>State 4-H Photography Ambassador Program</u>.
 JUNIOR MASTER PHOTOGRAPHER TRAINING WORKSHOP II
 When: Saturday, December 7, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
 Where: 4-H Center, Dallas TX
 Who: 4-Hers ages 12 & up who have access to a DSLR camera. MUST HAVE ATTENDED WORKSHOP I.
 What: Workshop Focus: Color & Composition. Must bring a DSLR camera.
 Cost: \$30 fee to recoup mandatory 4-H Connect Registration costs and materials.
 Registration: Will be on 4-H Connect October 25 through November 25.
 Contact: Elizabeth for more information-254.718.1332, familycoffman@aol.com

#### 2019 – 2020 Fall and Winter Texas 4-H Center Lake Brownwood Programs

- Information: Registration for Winter Programs at Lake Brownwood starts <u>September 2, 2019</u> information available at <u>texas4hcenter.tamu.edu</u>. Take advantage of youth and adults programs while enjoying Lake Brownwood and its wide variety of activities!
  - 2019 -2020 Fall & Winter Camps and Retreats Flyer
  - <u>4-H Junior Leadership Retreat (Nov 8-10, 2019) Flyer Late Fee after Oct. 25<sup>th</sup></u>





## **4-H Speaker Request Form**

• Information: If you are interested in having a 4-H staff member speak at your event/club meeting, please complete this form and submit to <a href="https://ntervantes@ag.tamu.edu">ntervantes@ag.tamu.edu</a> at least 3 weeks prior to the requested date. Please allow 3-5 business days for confirmation. If you have any questions, please contact us at 210-631-0400.

#### <u>4-H Dog Project Trainings – 2019-2020 Schedule Released!</u>

• Information: Are you interested in learning how to train your dog in Obedience and Agility? AND do you want to spend more time with your dog? Well guess what! Bexar County 4-H has a dog project! Come join the Bexar County Dog Squad and learn how to bond with your dog over sits, stays and lots of love! Please see our flyer for more information!

#### Public Speaking Gaveliers 4-H Club – Become a better speaker TODAY!

 Information: Are you nervous to speak in front of a crowd? Do you need to refine your pubic speaking skills? Then Gaveliers 4-H club is for you! We develop and practice speaking and leadership skills, using the Toastmasters model. We meet the second and fourth Mondays of each month, from 6:45-8pm, at Northwest Hills Christian Church, 9560 Potranco Rd, 78251. For more information check out our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/gaveliers4H/">https://www.facebook.com/gaveliers4H/</a> or contact Esther Palacios at 210-846-0360 or email <a href="mailto:gotcaketx@yahoo.com">gotcaketx@yahoo.com</a>

## **4-H For Health Online Learning Series**

- Information: 4-H members, and leaders who have a passion for healthy living are welcome to join us for the 4-H for Health Online Learning Series. This learning series will explore various youth health issues which have been identified by our Healthy Texas Youth Ambassadors. Each online seminar will take place at 6:30 PM online at <a href="https://coom.us/j/431035937">https://coom.us/j/431035937</a> Dates and topics listed below! Please share our flyer with your members!
- Take Cover: Skin Health
  Physical Activity for Life
  December 17th
- The Story Behind Social Media
- Can Fast Food be Healthy?
- Is that Text Really Worth it?
- The Harmful Effects of Alcohol
- December 17t January 21st February 18th March 17th April 14th

## <u>4-H Recordbook Training – October 24, 2019 @ Bexar Ext. Office</u>

Information: It's never too early to get started on Recordbooks! Join us for a FUN and informational session on 4-H Recordbooks. What is a Recordbook, how do we put it together? Learn all this and more on October 24, 2019 @ 6:30 PM @ the Bexar County Extension Office (Suite 208). Can't attend this training? Consider hosting a Recordbook training at your next club meeting! Fill out this form and submit to <a href="https://www.ntervantes@ag.tamu.edu">ntervantes@ag.tamu.edu</a> to request an agent present recordbooks at your next club meeting!

# Shooting Sports Coaches Training – Stephenville TX Nov. 9-10, 2019

• Information: We're pleased to announce that District 8 4-H will be hosting a Shooting Sports Coach Certification Training for Archery, Pistol, Rifle, and Shotgun in Stephenville on November 9-10, 2019. See the attached <u>flyer</u>, <u>website</u>, and/or <u>participant information letter</u> for more details.

- Registration will be conducted through <u>4-H Connect</u>.
- Look for 2019 D8 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Certification (Stephenville) (Open state-wide)
- Registration will be open starting October 7 and closes October 25, 2019.
- Please pay close attention to the deadline!
- Cost is \$120

Participants MUST have completed and passed the Background Check PRIOR to registering for the event, so if they have not completed this, they should do so IMMEDIATELY! NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

Additional details:

- Registration will cover meals and course materials.
- Only one discipline certification (archery, pistol, rifle, or shotgun) is obtainable per participant per training.
- Lodging will be the responsibility of the participants. Suggested are hotels are listed in the <u>letter</u> and on the <u>website</u>.



- Event will begin at 8:00am on Saturday, November 9 and tentatively end at noon on Sunday, November 10, 2019.
- Tentative schedule, what to bring list, and release forms can be found on the website. Additional details will be sent to those that register.

Visit the website to view more details (including lodging information): <u>https://agrilife.org/d84h/events-and-activities/shooting-sports-coaches-training/</u>

#### 4-H Scholarship Training – October 29, 2019 @ Bexar Ext. Office

 Information: If your child is a graduating senior this year, please do not miss this informational session on 4-H Scholarships. You will learn about the different scholarship opportunities offered in 4-H, tips on completing scholarship applications and more on October 29, 2019 @ 6:30 PM @ the Bexar County Extension Office (Suite 208). Can't attend this training? Consider hosting a Scholarship training at your next club meeting! Fill out this form and submit to <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u> to request an agent present scholarship information at your next club meeting!

## <u> 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project Workshop – Dec. 7, 2019</u>

Information: If interested in the Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) make plans to attend the 4-H Wildlife Habitat Education Project (WHEP) Workshop to be held in Grimes County on December 7, 2019. Registration will be open on 4-H Connect on November 1<sup>st</sup> and close on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. This hands on workshop will be available for youth and adults interested in learning more about the project. See flyer HERE for more info.

**Date:** December 7, 2019 - Workshop will start at 9:00 a.m. with check-in beginning at 8:30 a.m. The workshop will end at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Location: St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8227 CR 205, Plantersville, Texas, 77363 (Grimes County)
Registration: November 1 - 22, 2019 on 4-H Connect (<u>https://texas.4honline.com/</u>)
Cost is \$10.00 for each participant; youth and adult.
Lunch will be provided for each registered participant.

#### NATIONAL 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY SUMMIT

- Where: Washington, D.C.
- When: February 26 March 1, 2020
- Who: 4-Hers, 9-12 grade
- What: Learn technical skills, hands-on activities, workshops, and engage with nationally-recognized leaders. 4-Hers will also enjoy guided day and night time photography tours.
- Where: National 4-H Conference Center
- Why: Learn and have fun! Meet 4-H photographers from across the country.
- Cost: \$725 \$875 (Varies with room selection)
- Registration Currently Open: <u>http://www.cvent.com/events/nys-on-photography/event-summary-2f382b3e798646c698b34b3edf005e6b.aspx</u>

#### Photography Field Trips, Service Events and "Practices"

<u>Information:</u> Click <u>HERE</u> to go to a "live" Google document that lists a variety of planned photography opportunities across the state. This document link will later be posted on the state photography web page and updated as new opportunities arise. Some activities listed are open to all 4-H members, and some are limited to just JMP or Ambassadors. In most cases, please contact the coordinator prior to attending. If you have an event that is open to others that you would like to add to the calendar, please email details (outlining the same headings) to Derrick Bruton at <u>d-bruton@tamu.edu</u>.



## **District/State Contest Reimbursement Form**

- Information: The Bexar 4-H Council has money set aside to reimburse for selected District and State events to encourage participation and help ease the financial burden for active 4-H families. The money reimbursed will need to be requested from our office; no longer automatically mailed. See details below:
- How: Please fill out and return the <u>Reimbursement Form</u> to <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u>

## 2019-2020 County – District – State Dates

\*Dates marked as TENATIVE are subject to change. Be prepared!\* Texas 4-H Rabbit Extravaganza Show - September 14, 2019 County One Day 4-H – October 12, 2019 County Food Show & Food Challenge – November 2, 2019 County Educational Presentations & Public Speaking – November 9, 2019 District Entomology Judging (Kerrville) – December 4, 2019 District Nutrition Quiz Bowl (Kerrville) - December 4, 2019 District Food Show & Food Challenge (Kerrville) – December 5, 2019 District Beef & Horse Quiz Bowl (Kerrville) – December 6, 2019 District Educational Presentations & Public Speaking – December 6, 2019 District Dairy/Horse/Consumer Decision Judging – February 2020 (During S.A.L.E.) District Photography Contest – TBA February 2020 County Duds to Dazzle/Fashion Show & Storyboards - TBA March 2020 County Photography Entries DUE – March 16, 2020 County Project Show – TBA Early April 2020 County Share-the-Fun Contest – April 4, 2020 District Meat Judging - \*TENATIVE\* April 15, 2020 District Livestock Judging (Fredericksburg) – April 22, 2020 District Range Evaluation/Range & Pasture ID (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020 District Share-the-Fun (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020 District Wool & Mohair Judging (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020 District Leaders 4 Life (Fredericksburg) – April 23, 2020 District Soil Judging (Fredericksburg) – April 24, 2020 District Duds to Dazzle (Fredericksburg) - April 24, 2020 District Fashion Show & Storyboards (Fredericksburg) – April 24, 2020 District Smallbore Rifle Contest (Floresville) – April 25, 2020 Texas State Roundup – June 8-11, 2020 County Recordbooks & Awards DUE – June 15, 2020 County Recordbook Judging – June 19-20, 2020 District Horse Show (Dripping Springs) – June 17 – 18, 2020 District 10 Leadership Lab (Brownwood) – June 24 – 26, 2020 District 10 Recordbook Judging (Helotes) – July 9, 2020 State 4-H Dog Show – July 10-13, 2020 **Texas 4-H Congress – July 12-15, 2020** State 4-H Horse Show – TBA July, 2020

## \*\*\*\*District 10 Fall Roundup Guide Released\*\*\*\*

- Information: The District 10 Fall Roundup Guide has all the information on how to register for: Entomology
  Judging, Quiz Bowl (Nutrition, Beef & Horse), Food Show & Challenge, Educational Presentation & Public Speaking.
  - \*NEW\* District 10 Fall Roundup Guide Deadline Nov. 5, 2019 on 4-H Connect

#### <u>\*\*\*\*MAJOR FOOD CHALLENGE RULE CHANGES\*\*\*</u>

• **Information:** The 4-H Food Challenge rules have MAJORLY changed for the 2019-2020 4-H year. These changes will primarily affect Senior teams. However, Intermediate and Junior teams may notice slight rule changes this year so it is imperative you read the District guidelines when they are published. DO NOT ASSUME RULES HAVE NOT CHANGED. Please see following packets released from the State that apply to SENIOR TEAMS ONLY:

- 2020 Food Challenge Rules & Guidelines
- ✓ \*NEW\* Pantry Power Guide Rules for the New Senior Pantry
- ✓ 2020 Food Challenge Preparation Scorecard
- ✓ 2020 Food Challenge Presentation Scorecard
- 2020 Food Challenge Worksheet PDF
- ✓ Fight BAC Brochure
- My Plate Mini Poster
- ✓ Know your Nutrients
- Food Safety Fact Sheet

4-H Food Challenge Rule Changes

New and Modified Rules of the 2019-2020 Texas 4-H Food Challenge

## \*\*\*\*2020 Food Show THEME Released\*\*\*

#### Food Around the World

• Information: The 4-H Food Show Theme has been released as well as some rule changes for the 2019-2020 4-H year. These changes will primarily affect Senior teams, however please make sure Intermediate/Junior contestants review the District packet when published for changes to younger age divisions.

- ✓ 2020 Food Show Rules & Guidelines
- ✓ 2020 Food Show Scorecard
- ✓ 2020 Food Show Recipe Submission Paperwork

#### \*\*\*2019-2020 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTESTS\*\*\*

- 2020 County Photography Rules Coming Soon!
- <u>2019 2020 State Photography Rules</u> (Applies ONLY to Senior Age Division members who qualify from County)
- 2019 -2020 Picture Your World Youth Photography Program

#### \*\*\*2020 RECORDBOOK UPDATES\*\*\*

- \*NEW\* 2019-2020 Family Guide to Recordbooks
- \*NEW\* 2019-2020 Recordbook Categories
- ✓ \*NEW\* 2019-2020 Recordbook Forms

## \*\*\*2020 TEXAS STATE ROUNDUP UPDATES\*\*\*

- ✓ <u>2020 Contest Changes and Reminders</u>
- ✓ 2020 Updated Roundup Guide

## \*\*\*2019-2020 SHOOTING SPORTS CONTESTS\*\*\*

#### **Quick Glance for ALL UPCOMING Shooting Sports Events**

- Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1s-dAH2\_/edit</u>
- <u>2019 Bexar Junior Shootout –</u> Deadline for EARLY registration Nov. 1, 2019
- <u>2019 Bosque County 4-H Indoor Archery Tournament</u> **Deadline Dec. 27, 2019**
- 2019 Gonzales 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Come and Break It Clay Tournament Event Nov. 16, 2019
- 2019 Coryell County Shotgun Shoot Event Nov. 16, 2019

#### 2019 County Food Show & Food Challenge – DEADLINE WEDNESDAY OCT. 23!

• Information: The 2019 County Food Challenge and Food Show Packet has now been released for your review. You can find the packet <u>HERE</u>. The 2019 County Food Challenge and Food Show will be held on November 2, 2019 beginning at 8:30AM at the Neighborhood Place (3014 Rivas Street, San Antonio, TX 78228). Please note that ALL paperwork needs to be turned into the office by Wednesday, October 23, 2019 @ 5PM. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. All forms can be found in your packet. Please call the office (210.631.0400) and ask to speak with Angie Gutierrez or Chris Lambert should you have any questions! County Food Show/Food Challenge IS A QUALIFYING CONTEST. You may not advance to District unless you participate and place at the County level.

Lastly, we will NEED adult volunteers to help judge both Food Challenge and Food Show. If you are interested in volunteering on that day please email <u>aogutierrez@ag.tamu.edu</u> which contest you can judge! Lunch will be provided to judges that day.

#### County Food Show & Food Challenge Schedule:

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Judges and Volunteer Orientation Food Challenge Contestants Orientation
9:00 a.m. Food Challenge Contestant Sign In
9:15 a.m.– 12:00 noon Food Challenge Contest, Judging & Awards\*
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own
12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Food Show Contestant Registration
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Food Show Contest & Judging
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Food Show Awards\*
4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Everyone Help Clean up
\*Start time for awards may be subject change and could potentially move up due to number of teams and/or number of contestant participating as well as completion of judging.

# 2019 County Roundup (Educational Presentation/Public Speaking)

Information: The 2019 County Roundup Entry form has now been released for your review. You can find the form <u>HERE</u>. The 2019 County Roundup will be held on November 9, 2019 beginning at 9 AM at the Helotes Activity Center (12132 Leslie Rd, Helotes, TX 78023). Please note that ALL paperwork needs to be turned into the office by Friday, November 1, 2019 @ 5PM. Eligibility form will need to be turned into participate in the contest. Eligibility form can be found <u>here</u>. Please call the office (210.631.0400) and ask to speak with Natalie Cervantes should you have any questions! County Roundup is NOT a Qualifying contest. If you'd like to participate in District Educational Presentation/Public Speaking, please sign up for D-10 Fall Roundup. More information on how to register <u>HERE</u>.

Lastly, we will NEED adult volunteers to help judge presentations. If you are interested in volunteering on that day please email <u>ntcervantes@ag.tamu.edu</u>! Refreshments will be provided to judges that day.

#### County Roundup Schedule:

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Judges and Volunteer Orientation
9:00 a.m. Roundup Contestant Sign In
9:15 a.m.– 12:00 noon Educational Presentation/Public Speaking Contest, Judging & Awards\*
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. Everyone Help Clean up
\*Start time for awards may be subject change and could potentially move up due to number of contestants participating as well as completion of judging.

#### 2019Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out – November 23, 2019

• <u>Information</u>: The Seventh Annual Bexar 4-H Junior Shoot-Out will be held Nov. 23, 2019 (Saturday) at the San Antonio Gun Club. Registration is LIMITED to the first 180 shooters! Please inform any of your shooting sports club members. Shooting information located <u>here</u>, Flyer <u>here</u>, and <u>registration link</u>.

# 2020 Texas Conservation Awards Program: Essay Contest & Poster Contest

- <u>Information</u>: The Texas Conservation Awards Program will be hosting their annual Essay and Poster contest! Members are encouraged to submit their essay and/or poster to their local soil and water conservation district. Information regarding each contest is listed below. Please submit your entry to the Alamo SWCD by 4:30 PM on Monday, January 6, 2020.
  - **ESSAY CONTEST (ENTRY INFORMATION)** Essay topic for 2020 is "Where would we BEE without Pollinators?" The essay is to be submitted to local soil and water conservation districts for judging. Each local district will judge the entries and submit two essays in each age division to the Area Judging Committee for competition on the area level. Plaques will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners on the area level and state winners will be selected from the area winners. This contest is open to students 18 years and under, and who are considered eligible under Texas University Interscholastic League eligibility requirements.
  - **POSTER CONTEST (ENTRY INFORMATION)** Posters should be drawn by hand and address the following subject for 2020 is "Where would we BEE without Pollinators?" Posters shall be submitted to local soil and water conservation districts for local judging. Each local district will judge the entries and submit two posters to the Area Judging Committee for competition on the area level. Plaques will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2nd and 3rd place winners on the area level and state winners will be selected from the area winners. This contest is open to students who are 12 years old and under and who are considered eligible under Texas University Interscholastic League eligibility requirements.

#### 2019-2020 Agrobotics Schedule Released!

• **Information:** Please make sure your Robotics teams have the dates on their calendar for all contests located <u>here</u>. Every stock show contest will now have a 'standard' game as well as some blind challenges unique to each stock show.

#### **Guadalupe Robotics 4-H Club 6th Annual SumoBot Competition Save the Date**

• <u>Information:</u> November 9, 2019 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (doors open at 8:30 AM) **SumoBot** wrestling is a contest where two previously programmed LEGO Mindstorm (NXT or EV3) robot contestants try to push or flip each other's robot out of a Circular ring. The first robot to have its tires or tracks completely out of the ring or is rendered immobile, loses. **Registration Fee \$50 per team. Please register by November 2, 2019.** For more information contact guadalupe4hrobots@gmail.com. Click here to see flyer!

#### **Nueces County 4-H Robotics Competition**

 Information: Competition will be held November 2<sup>,</sup> 2019, at Banquete Junior High School, 4334 Fourth St. Banquete, TX 78339. 4-H Teams \$40.00; Non 4-H \$50.00. Contact Vickie Loessin for information at 361.816.9323 or <u>vickieloessin@aol.com</u>. DEADLINE TO REGISTER: October 25, 2019. See flyer <u>here</u> and entry form <u>here</u> for more information.

#### San Antonio Cactus & Xerophyte Society Annual Show & Sale

<u>Information</u>: Do you enjoy growing cactus or succulents? If so, the San Antonio Cactus and Xerophyte Society will be hosting their Annual Show & Sale on **April 23 – 25, 2020** from 9:00 am – 5:00 m each day. During the event there will be vendors selling cactus and succulents, raffles, auctions, Fiesta medal sales, live demonstrations, Kid Zone activities for children, and judged Educational Displays.

The Educational Displays for the youth division will contain entries from members of youth organizations such as 4-H and any other interested youth less than 18 years of age. The entries will be judged by a Master Gardener based on content, attractiveness, and ability to engage visitors. Cash prizes will be awarded to first and second place winners. *(Cash amount TBD)* Set-up is on April 22 at the SA Garden Center and displays should be removed between 5 – 6 pm on April 25. The display may use a 3 ft. or 6 ft. space and must be educational. Printed materials containing appropriate information must be used. Live plants are optional, but if not used, models or pictures could be used in their place. **The display must contain educational information about cactus, succulents, or xerophytic plants. Make sure that your focus is on these groups of plants.** Topics may include:

- General information about cactus or succulents or xerophytes
- General information about a particular type of plant
- Comparison and contrast of these plants to other plants such as leafy plants
- Adaptations of these plants to dry habitats
- Experiments done with any of these types of plants
- How to grow healthy succulent plants
- A study of one particular genus of cactus or succulents
- Uses of these plants by people or animals
- Other related topics

Please contact Barbara Schulze, <u>barbaralschulze@yahoo.com</u> if you are interested in participating or have any questions. We need to have confirmation of participation no later than **Dec. 31, 2019**. Our society would love to have more youth participation in this part of our Show & Sale. We hope you will join us! <u>SEE FLYER!</u>

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