

Bexar County Newsletter

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St. Hedwig 4-h would like to announce the Souper Chefs big win at state round-up. They received 1st place overall and will be advancing to nationals at the TX State Fair in October! Team members: Emma Belzung, Brigette Bettice, Alexa Lewis, and Reese Royce.



^{**}If your club has news or events they would like to see in our newsletter please email to sarah.nichols@ag.tamu.edu



• JUL 6 2022 STEM Educator Academy • JUL 6-8 Youth Gardens Leadership Training • JUL 10-13 **Aperture Academy** • JUL 11-14 True Leaders in Equity Institute 2022 Youth Lab (Virtual) • JUL 12-15 • JUL 16 Train Like a Champion Livestock Clinic & Show Late Club Manager Training (Virtual) • JUL 19 • JUL 21-23 Texas A&M Meat Judging Camp • JUL 22-24 **Global Citizens Camp** • JUL 24-28 Western Governors' Leadership Institute • JUL 29 Turkey Poult Orders due for BCJLS & major stock shows Aug 6 **Bexar County Awards Banquet**



<u>2021-2022 County – District – State CONTEST/EVENTS CALENDAR</u>

This is calendar is subject to change. Please make sure you check contest guidelines closely and adjust dates/locations/times as necessary

Jul 8	Bexar County Gold Star Interviews- NO ALTERNATIVE DATES WILL BE AVAILABLE
Jul 7-19	Texas 4-H State Dog Show
Jul 10-15	2022 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games – Hunting & Wildlife, Muzzleloading, Pistol, Rifle
Jul 15-20	Texas 4-H Congress, Austin TX
Jul 18-23	2022 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games –Archery
Jul 19-23	2022 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games –Shotgun
Jul 17-23	Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games, National Shooting Complex
Jul 24-29	Texas 4-H Horse Show

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 Reimbursement Form to sarah.nichols@ag.tamu.edu



All results from Texas 4-H Roundup are now available online at https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/. Find results for all contests, scholars, and the Photography Contest winners.



Deadline - July 30 (or whenever supplies are depleted)

Didn't purchase a t-shirt at Roundup this year but still want the commemorative shirt? Purchase yours now through July 30th (or until supplies are depleted) for \$25. <u>Click here to purchase your shirts now.</u>

Local 4-H Events / Training

4-H Speaker Request Form- PERSONAL CLUB VIRTUAL TRAININGS OFFERED!

• Information: If you are interested in having a 4-H staff member speak at your event/club meeting, please complete this <u>form</u> and submit to <u>sarah.nichols@ag.tamu.edu</u> at least 2 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.

2022 Upcoming Virtual/In-Person Trainings				
Youth Gardens Leadership Training	7/6/22- 7/8/22	3355 Cherry Ridge Ste. 208 San Antonio, TX	This training will enhance skills needed for your Youth Gardening Program. See flyer and additional information below. Cost \$100. Deadline to register: June 30 th	
LATE Club Manager Training	7/19/22	VIRTUAL @ 6:30PM	Club manager training virtual TEAMS Link	

Club Manager Trainings

This is a meeting to help future club managers understand their role as volunteer leaders and facilitators in the Bexar 4-H Program. Current club managers are also welcome to join as a refresher course!

*NOTE: Chartering paperwork must be turned in before Monday, June 27th in order to be activated on/by August 15th. If you charter after this date, your activation date may be later than August 15th.

Tuesday, July 19th @ 6:30PM: Virtual on Microsoft Teams (LATE Club Manager Training)

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting_YzAwNzhmMjYtZGU2NC00OGJhLWJjYWMtZjg0ZTRkOWE5Yzdi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid% 22%3a%229fd7580a-6472-4d9c-a142-d131d3a7a116%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%228aa7ecbb-a914-4e64-b10c-d3ad353e2460%22%7d





Livestock News & Events

If you have questions or need help with your projects feel free to contact Sam.Womble@ag.tamu.edu

2022 Validations Dates:

Lamb & Goat	Fall Heifer	Swine	
Oct. 13 th 3:00-6:00pm Madison HS	Oct. 29 th 9:00-11:00am East Central HS	Nov. 8th 4:00-6:00pm Judson HS	Nov. 16th 4:30-6:30pm Southwest HS
Oct. 20st		Nov. 12 th	Nov. 22 nd
5:00-7:00pm		2:00-5:00pm	2:00-5:00pm
East Central HS		O'Connor HS	East Central HS
		Nov. 15 th	
		4:00-6:00pm	
		Madison HS	

Upcoming Livestock Programs, Clinics & Shows

<u>Train Like a Champion Livestock Clinic & Show – July 16th (FLYER)</u>

Austin, Burleson, Colorado, Fayette, Washington, and Wharton Counties are excited to host the Train Like a Champion Livestock Clinic and Show on Saturday, July 16th at the Fayette County Fairgrounds in La Grange on Saturday, July 16th. Please share with any interested beef cattle, lamb, and/or goat exhibitors. Entry Form

Texas A&M Meat Judging Camp – July 21st-23rd (FLYER)

This year will be a fun filled 2½ days of meat judging with the 2022 Fightin' Texas Aggie Meat Judging Team, as well as an exciting tour of Kyle Field on Friday morning. We will provide lodging and meals for campers and have plenty of product (beef, lamb and pork) to practice on. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Also, please forward on to any of your colleagues that may be interested. Registration is open now and space is limited. Register here: Fightin' Texas Aggie Meat Judging Camp | Animal Science (tamu.edu)

<u>Turkey Poult Order – DEADLINE July 29th</u>

Bexar County Junior Livestock Show and San Antonio, Houston and Rodeo Austin turkey poult orders are due to the extension office by Friday, July 29th, 2022. Please fill out the order form below and return to extension office with payment. ORDER FORM

Sheep Capital Lamb Camp July 29th-31st (FLYER)

The San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office in Tom Green County are proud to present the Sheep Capital Lamb Camp to be held in San Angelo, Texas on the fairgrounds July 29th – July 31st. The camp will be open to incoming 3rd Graders through Seniors in high school, and exhibitors of all levels of experience are welcome to participate. The registration fee will include breakfast Saturday and Sunday, and lunch Saturday and Sunday, a t-shirt, and a camp packet. Registration and information can be found at: https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/livestock1/sheep-capital-lamp-camp

Washington County Fair - Open Heifer & Steer Show - DEADLINE September 1st

2022 Washington County Fair Open Heifer and Steer Show scheduled for September 10th at the Washington County Expo in Brenham. This show is open to all Texas 4H and FFA members with Junior Beef Projects. Entries allowed online only at https://washtxfps.fairwire.com. Entries and payments due by September 1st. See Flyer and Prospect Rules for information.

Water Well Screening Event – July 12th & July 13th

This is a great opportunity to test your private water well for nitrates, salinity and coliform bacteria. Fee is \$15 per sample. If you're interested in participating in our Private Water Well Screening program, please stop by the Bexar County Extension office at your earliest convenience (no later than Monday, July 11th) and pick up a sample kit and collection instructions. Water samples must be returned to the Extension office Tuesday, July 12th by 10:00 am. Please contact Sarah.nichols@ag.tamu.edu if you have any questions.



The "Well Informed" TWON program is an educational program that gives well owners the opportunity to have their well water samples screened for common contaminants including total coliform, E. coli, nitrates and TDS salinity. The screening of the water samples is followed by a 1-hour explanation of the results the next day, water well protection practices and focuses on wellhead protection and recommendations for remediating well contamination.

Well Informed Screening - July 12 & 13

Bexar County AgriLife Extension Office, 3355 Cherry Ridge Street, Suite 208, San Antonio (210) 631-0400

- · Pick up sample containers prior to July 12 @ the AgriLife Extension Office
- Sample drop-off 8:30-10 a.m. July 12 @ Bexar County Extension office, 3355 Cherry Ridge Street, Suite 208, San Antonio
- The cost of each sample is \$15
- Results & interpretation meeting @ AgriLife Extension Office, Suite 208, San Antonio, July 13 @ 6:30 p.m., San Antonio

For more information, call the Extension office or visit http://twon.tamu.edu/



TEXAS STATE EXTENSION CONSERVATION BOARD







Funding for the Texas Well Owner Network is through a Clean Water Act nonpoint source grant provided by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The project is managed by the Texas Water Resources Institute, part of Texas A&M AgriLife Research, AgriLife Extension and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University.

Horse News & Events



<u>Upcoming Bexar County 4-H Open Horse Show Schedule (2022-2023)</u>

<u>Show Information:</u> Upcoming show information is available on the <u>Bexar 4-H Horse Leaders Facebook page</u>. 4-H member competing for end of the year awards & prizes MUST complete an academic eligibility form to remain eligible for competitive awards! Check back soon for 2022-2023 season!



Access all shooting sports events, trainings, & contests here:

4-H Natural Resources Program Activity and Event Schedule - Google Docs

Family & Community Health Events



Calling All Champions

Join 4-H and Manna Pro in celebrating the champion in all 4-H'ers! Encourage current members and alumni to submit a photo in their 4-H gear with one of their animals. For every photo submitted, Manna Pro will donate \$10 to 4-H (with a guaranteed maximum donation of \$50,000). Click here to learn more.

Virtual Summer Camp Fun

This summer, bring the 4-H camp experience to your backyard with Virtual 4-H Camp. Explore nature, wildlife and even have a campfire sing-a-long. **Get started by clicking here.**

2022 STEM Educator Academy - July 6th

The 2022 STEM Educator Academy will be held on July 6th at the AgriLife Complex on the Texas A&M University Campus. Developed by the Junior Master Gardener Program and the Texas 4-H, the Academy is intended to fill the need for more hands-on STEM teacher training. Sessions will be led by experts on a variety of topics including entomology, robotics, water, science in the gardens, and wildlife and natural resources. Register now by clicking here.

Aperture Academy – July 10th-13th (FLYER)

This is a summer camp held at the Texas 4-H Conference Center for youth grades 5th-8th and is intended for beginners. We will have DSLR cameras and all sorts of equipment for campers to use at this camp. The camp is led by our fantastic adult volunteers and Photography Ambassadors and is scheduled for July 10th-13th. Space is limited to 25 campers, so get your members to register now!

National 4-H Week Webinar – July 14th 2pm

Get ready to celebrate National 4-H Week from Sunday, Oct. 2 to Saturday, Oct. 8. This year's theme is Opportunity4All, and the new marketing toolkit is now available for download on the 4-H Marketing Online Resource Center. Be sure to register for the National 4-H Week webinar on Thursday, July 14 at 2 PM ET to learn more about this year's theme and how to best implement the marketing toolkit in your local community. Register now by clicking here.

Global Citizen Camp – July 22nd-24th (FLYER)



The 4-H Global Citizen Camp is a three-day/two-night camp experience to learn about the cultures of Japan, South Korea, Latin America, and Texas A&M. It will be held July 22^{nd} - 24^{th} in College Station. Learn more information from the attached PDF, or contact darlene.locke@ag.tamu.edu.

4-H Days at Schlitterbahn - July 19th-22nd & July 26th-29th

The Texas 4-H Foundation has partnered with Schlitterbahn Waterpark to host Texas 4-H Days in the parks! These events will be happening at both the New Braunfels and Galveston locations. Schlitterbahn Week in New Braunfels will be July $19^{th}-22^{nd}$ and Schlitterbahn week in Galveston will be July $26^{th}-29^{th}$! Use the following instructions to purchase your tickets, please note that the login information is case sensitive. New Braunfels: Go to www.schlitterbahn.com/new-braunfels/affiliate and enter the Username: NB4HDays and Password: NBclover22 to purchase tickets. Galveston: Go to www.schlitterbahn.com/galveston/affiliate and enter the Username: GV4HDays and Password: GVclover22 to purchase tickets.

Western Governors' Leadership Institute - July 24th-28th (FLYER)

The Western Governors' Foundation has launched the Western Governors' Leadership Institute to recognize, reward and encourage the effective exercise of leadership by young adults across the West, and encourage its future development. The Institute will select one young adult and one alternate from each western state and territory to attend an all-expense-paid leadership forum and the Western Governors' Association Annual Meeting in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

STEM Ambassador Program – DEADLINE July 31st

Applications for the 2022-2023 STEM Ambassadors will open on **July 1**st and close **July 31**st. <u>A promotional video overview</u> of the team can be viewed here.

Eligibility for NEW Members

- Be in the 9th 12th grade (as of September 1st).
- Complete and submit application by July 31st.
- Have a willingness to learn about and promote STEM.
- Attend a mandatory virtual orientation along with his/her parents/guardians on August 30th at 7pm.
- Attend the mandatory fall and spring in-person meetings (dates will be listed in the application).
- Be willing to work collaboratively on a team with other youth and adults.
- Be responsive and engaged in team communications.
- Share knowledge and skills with others.
- Not serving on the 2022-23 Texas 4-H Council.

Applicants will need to create a simple profile on Submittable to complete the application. The application requires (among other details) several written narratives, a 2–3-minute personal video narrative, as well as two letters of recommendations. Candidates are encouraged to begin work on the latter two as soon as possible. Application available by-clicking here.

Sport Fishing Leader Training – August 27th-28th (FLYER)

Registration open to adult 4-H volunteers and Senior division 4-H members. Registration fee is \$75 which includes lunch on Saturday and educational materials. For further information see flyer or contact Larry Hysmith at lhysmith@tamu.edu.

2022 Texas 4-H Summer Camp Registration is LIVE!

We are super excited to share that 2022 Summer Camp registration for camps here at the Texas 4-H Conference are live! 2022 Summer Guide: In the Summer Guide, you will find information on what camps we are offering as well as dates and prices

- **Mission Possible Mentors:** Mission Possible Mentor applications are live and can be applied for <u>HERE</u>. If you have any senior level members in your clubs that you would recommend for Mission Possible, encourage them to apply!
- **Summer Camp Staff Opportunities**: If you have any 4-H members that have aged out of your program and think they would like to work at camp, encourage them to apply on our website. That link can be found here.
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Junior Master Photographer & Photography Ambassador Program

Full details about these two youth leadership programs will come out later in the summer. However, training dates for JMP workshops have been set and you are encouraged to promote these to members. JMP Workshop 1 – September 24th. JMP Workshop 2 – December 3rd. Both workshops will be held in Dallas. To become a Photography Ambassador, youth must first complete both JMP workshops, which are only offered once a year. If youth came to workshop 1 in a previous year, but missed workshop 2, they only have to come back for the latter. Regardless of prior knowledge and skills, this is the only pathway to becoming an ambassador. Until summer, you can view more information about these two programs in the leadership section here: https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/

States' 4-H Summer Hosting (FLYER)

Host an international youth delegate and bring the richness of the world to your home! Host an International Youth in Summer 2022 through States' 4-H International. Hosting will take place in July and August 2022. The PDF attached explains more details about the program, or find more at https://www.states4hexchange.org/state-contacts/.

Ignite the Spark

Please join us for the *Ignite the Spark* professional development series about volunteerism. Here is the registration link: https://bit.ly/S4HVolEngage. You can attend one or all sessions. The topics will build upon one another, but you can select which sessions you'd like to attend. They will be recorded for later viewing. The 4-H Volunteer Specialists of the Southern Region have collaborated to develop a 2022 Volunteer Engagement Professional Development series. This would be a wonderful opportunity to "sharpen your saw" as an agent, program assistant, or specialist. We hope you will join us in the excellent professional development series!

Series dates are May 19th, Aug. 18th, Sept. 15th and Oct. 20th.



4-H Day in Aggieland 2022 - September 10th



Mark your calendars for 4-H Day in Aggieland 2022! We will offer activities and a highly discounted ticket price to watch the Texas A&M Aggies take on the Appalachian State Mountaineers in Kyle Field on September 10th at 2:30 pm. Mark your calendars now to save the date and watch for more information to be released soon!

Gonzales County Gear Robotics Contest – September 24th (FLYER)

Contact Gayle Bludau at 830-672-8531 for more information

National 4-H Week - Oct 2nd - Oct. 8th

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National 4-H Volunteer Conference – October 6th-9th

Mark your calendars for October 6th-9th for the National 4-H Volunteer Conference! Come visit the world's largest 4-H center, enjoy great sessions, meet new people, have fun, and bring home some great ideas to implement with your 4-H clubs and project groups. Rock Eagle 4-H Center, Eatonton, Georgia. http://www.4hvcoss.com/. Registration opens June 1st. Contact Laura Huebinger, http://www.ahvcoss.com/. Registration opens June 1st.

Consider Teaching a Workshop at the National 4-H Volunteer Conference (FLYER)

The Texas 4-H program will offer to pay the conference registration fee if you teach a workshop in-person!! This offer will be provided for up to 3 agents/volunteers. I really hope you'll consider it. If you want to bounce around some ideas, please feel free to contact Laura Huebinger, lhuebinger@ag.tamu.edu.

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