**4-H Blast**

May 15, 2015

* **May 18: County Council/Parent & Leaders Meeting, 6:30pm, Bea’s Kitchen**
* **May 21: Rockdale Fair Steer Tag In, Milano Livestock Exchange, 5:30pm-7:30pm**
* **May 22: Milam County 4-H Foundation Scholarship Deadline, CEO**
* **May 22: Deadline to vote on money jar labels**
* **May 29: Photo Contest deadline (remember it is open to adults and youth)**
* **May 31: Last day to register for Leadership Lab/District Officer**
* **May 29: Photography Contest Deadline**

***County Council/Parent Leaders***

Don’t forget that we will have a meeting Monday, May 18th at 6:30pm! County Council kids will plan for the summer workshops and activities and club managers will be doing their club manager training! All parents/leaders and youth are invited to come! Meeting will be sponsored by Milam County 4-H Club.

Below is the link to the County Council/Parent Leaders Website with the calendar of events! <http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-clubs/milam-county-4-h-council-and-parentleaders/>

***County Camp and Leadership Lab Information RELEASED- REGISTER NOW!***

Southeast District 8 County Camp will be held July 10-12, 2015, in Palestine. Registration is due May 26th. Ages 9-18 are welcome to attend. Teen leaders are needed for Camp. Application and Registration are available on the Milam County 4-H Webpage. Registration is to be turned into the County Extension Office.

District 8 Leadership Lab will be held June 24-26, 2015, in Brownwood. Registration is due by May 31, on 4-H Connect. Ages 13-18 are welcome to attend. Officer information will be released soon if you would like to run for District Officer. All information is posted on the Milam County 4-H Webpage: <http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-clubs/4-h-camps/>

***Photography Contest Opportunity***

The Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents (TAE4-HA), a professional Extension organization for County Extension Agents, Specialists, and Extension Administrators for the purpose of professionalism, collaboration, and youth development. The members from District IV delegation are hosting an invitational photography contest for youth and adults to provide scholarship funds for district level 4-H leadership events. ALL photos must be received by the District IV Photography Committee Chair by 5 p.m. on May 29, 2015. Late entries will not be accepted.

Contest participation will cost $10.00 for the first photo and $1.00 for each additional photo per individual. Payment can be check or money orders only and should be mailed with photo submissions. Payment should be made out to D4AE4-HA Photography Contest. Photos will not be consider as an entry until payment is received.

Please see the website for more information: <http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-activities/opportunities-for-youth/>

***4-H Fundraisers!***

We have started a GoFundMe account online for people to contribute money toward 4-H. All you have to do is go on to <http://www.gofundme.com/t82556> and simply donate money! It is that easy! Please go to our Facebook page and help share and promote this.

The money jars are great ways to help promote the 4-H program to Milam County. We also need the 4-H members help with our donation label for the money jar. Vote for your favorite label by going to the Milam County 4-H Facebook page and like the label you like best. The one with the most likes will be the label for the money jars! Voting ends on May 22nd.

***Milam County 4-H Foundation Scholarship***

The Milam County 4-H Foundation Scholarship is now available for applying however has a short deadline of May 22nd, so get it done and turned in as fast as possible! <http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-activities/scholarships/>

***4-H Camps/Workshops***

We will be planning some camps/workshops during the County Council Meeting but some that have been planned are: 4-H Fun Day Camp and 4-H FCS Camp. These are awesome and fun camps to be a part of! If you would like to help with one of these camps, please email Micah at [mlholcombe@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:mlholcombe@ag.tamu.edu) Please see the flyer on the Facebook page with information on 4-H Fun Day Camp.

***Rockdale Fair***

HE Rules are coming soon!

Ownership and Tag-in dates are as follows:

* Commercial Heifers: Palpation: Oct. 3, 2015, 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.
* Steers: May 21, 2015, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Tag-in at Milano Livestock Exchange.
* Lambs, Swine & Goats: July 11, 2015, 7:00 to 9:00 a.m., Rockdale Fair Park
* Rabbits: September 9, 2015, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Home Demonstration Building
* Turkeys: pick-up June 24, Home Demonstration Bldg.,
* Broilers: Order through RFA, by May 18, pick-up August 26, Home Demonstration Bldg.,

Cost per broiler: $1.67

***Ag in the Classroom***

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the Ag in the Classroom a success! I think everyone had a great time and the youth (and adults) learned a lot!

***Milam County 4-H Website!***

We have fully integrated into the new Milam County 4-H website! For information about any 4-H related activity, please go to the website! [www.Join4-h.com](http://www.Join4-h.com) or [www.join4h.com](http://www.join4h.com)