



August

August 3: State Recordbook Judging

August 5: Jacket and Patch Orders Due

August 17: County Council and Parent Leader Meeting,

6:30pm, New Salem Building-Rockdale

August 17: HOT and State Fair Stock Show Entry Night, 6-

7:30pm, New Salem Building-Rockdale

August 19-21: Texas 4-H Virtual Summit

August 21: Lamb and Goat Tag Order Deadline

August 26: Broilers: pick-up, 5-7pm, New Salem Bldg.,

Rockdale

October

October 3: Commercial Heifers: Palpation

October 4-10: National 4-H Week

October 8-17: Heart of Texas Fair, Waco

October 10: One Day 4-H

October 12: Columbus Day, Office Closed

October 10-17: Rockdale Fair

October 19: County Council/Parent Leaders Meeting,

6:30pm, Gause ISD

October 19: District Gold Star Banquet, Waco Baylor Cam-

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October 19: County Food Show Deadline

October 24: County Food Show, 2-4pm, New Salem Building, Rockdale

September

September 1: Tickets Due back to the Office

September 1: Consumer Project Orientation, 7pm, Yoe High School FCS Room (A3)

September 7: Labor Day, Office Closed

September 9: Rabbits, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., New Salem Building, Rockdale

September 13: 4-H Celebration, 2pm, Cameron Yoe High School Performing Arts Center

September 21: County Council Meeting 6:30pm, Thorndale Senior Citizens Center

September 25-October 18: State Fair of Texas, Dallas

November

November 7-8: Holiday Classic, Bell County Expo-Belton

November 11: Veterans Day, Office Closed

November 16: Holiday Idea Exchange, Bea's Kitchen

November 17: County Council meeting, 6:30pm, Milano ISD

November 26-27: Holiday, Office Closed

December

<u>December 2:</u> District Food Show/Food Challenge, Bell County Expo-Belton

December 7: 4-H County Christmas Party, 6:30pm, TBD

4-H Connect on-line Enrollment: https//texas.4honline.com

All 4-Hers and Leaders Need To Update Enrollment Annually—

ENROLLMENT STARTS SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

⇒ 4-H Members:

- ⇒ Current 4-Hers need to update their profile on the 4-H Connect System.
- ⇒ New 4-Hers need to set up a profile and complete all information.
- ⇒ \$20 4-H Registration Fee for Junior, Intermediate and Senior age 4-Hers from August 15, 2015—October 31, 2015. On Nov. 1st the fee goes to \$25.
- ⇒ No registration fee for Beginner age 4-Hers
- ⇒ Remember You Need to be an Active 4-H Member to participate in activities

⇒ Leaders:

- ⇒ Current leaders need to update their profile on the 4-H Connect System.
- ⇒ New leaders need to set up a profile and complete all information.
- ⇒ \$ 5 Registration Fee for Volunteers (includes screening)
- ⇒ Remember leaders must be active to assist 4-Hers in project activities as well as drive 4-H members to events.
- ⇒ Keep your email address, mailing address and contact information updated throughout the year.



As per 4-H Council and the Parents and Leaders; a new rule will be enforced this year. To be an <u>ACTIVE</u> <u>MEMBER</u> in Milam County 4-H and be able to participate in the 2016 Milam County Junior Livestock Show, <u>all members will be required to attend a minimum of TWO Club meetings</u>. This rule will start September 1, 2015 and all members have from September 1, 2015-March 1, 2016 to attend their 2 meetings. 4-Hers must attend 2 meetings of their primary club (the club you registered for as primary on 4-H connect) and you MUST sign in on the attendance sheet when you arrive at the meeting. This is so your attendance is documented and that all members are accounted for when the Club Managers keep track of attendance.

REMEMBER:

- → You much enroll on 4-H Connect for the current year starting September 1st
- → You can ONLY attend your primary club to count for the TWO meetings
- → Attend TWO meetings from September 1, 2015-March 1, 2016
- ightarrow Make sure you SIGN the sign in/attendance sheet when you first arrive at the meeting



4-H Give-A-Way

Fund Raiser Time



Speach or 5 for \$20 Milam County 4-H Give-a-Way

4-H Mr. & Miss and Prince & Princess Contest

Drawing held at 4-H Celebration - September 13, 2015

1. YETI Cooler-65 QT - PLUS \$100 Gift Card (value \$500)

2. Henry Golden Boy .22 Lever Action RIFLE - PLUS Gift Card (value \$500)

3. \$ 300 Gift Card

4. \$ 250 Gift Card donated by Cheryl & James Walker

5. \$ 200 Gift Card donated by Tiny & Susan Dean

All proceeds will benefit the Milam County 4-H Program. Winner need not be present to we have the present to the pres

Attention All 4-H Families:

Please sell Give-A-Way Tickets from now until September 1, 2015. This is the annual 4-H Council fund raiser to provide funding for the county opportunities listed below:

Money Raised Assists with

- 4-H participation fees for district/state activities
 - ♦ Roundup
 - ♦ Fashion Show
 - ♦ Food Show and Food Challenge
 - ♦ Photography Contest
 - ♦ Record Books Contest
 - ♦ Leadership Lab
 - Texas Congress

- Leader participation fees for district/state activities
 - Record Book Judging
 - ♦ Training Meetings
 - ♦ Chaperone
 - And Others
- ♦ Provides resources for county project activities
- Provides resources for county contests
- Provided resources for leadership workshops
- And MUCH, MUCH, MORE

How to Get Give-A-Way Tickets:

4-H Give-a-Way Tickets are now available. Contact your club managers (or fund raising leaders) for you to get proper credit.

When is the Give-A-Way Drawing:

The drawing will be on September 13th during the 4-H County Celebration in Cameron. The club that sells the most tickets will have their representatives named Mr. & Miss 4-H and the club that sells the second highest amount of tickets will have their representatives named Prince and Princess.

Sell tickets to friends and family. We need all 4-H families to sell as many as possible to continue providing support to 4-H.

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Milam Co 4-H Clovers: Grades K-2

o Junior: Grades 3, 4, and 5

o Intermediate: Grades 6, 7, and 8

o Senior: Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12



PROJECTS!

With fall approaching comes many project group meetings!!

If you are interested in the following projects, please call for more information and/or sign up!

Plant ID, Livestock Judging, Food Challenge, Horse Judging, Lamb and Goat Group, Natural Resources/Wildlife, Meat Judging.

254-697-7045

PARTE BLANKETS AND PATOLES

The Milam County 4-H program has for many years awarded 1st time 1st Place STATE winners with a 4-H green jacket or
blanket. Winners need to download the form on the
website and fill out. The deadline to return the order
form is August 5th. The 4-Her will be recognized at the
4-H Celebration with their sponsor.

Fill out the form on the website below:

http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-clubs/awards/

NEW! Rockdale Fair HE Dates!

For More Information about this contest and other Rockdale Fair Information, please go to:

http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/rockdale-fair/

Attention School Entries: School entries of the non-food items need to come in early (8am) on Monday, October 12th so large groups of entries can be organized. Please provide a listing of the entries to assist in organizing the return of your entries: participant; age division and entry division.

Monday – October 12, 2015

8:00 am until 5:00 pm Set-up for Group Exhibits

8:00 am until 5:00 pm Check in for the non-food divisions:

-Afghan -Drawings -Photography

-Artistic Arrangement -Folk Art -Produce
-Canned Food -Handwork -Scrapbooks
-Christmas Craft -Homemade Wine -Woodworking

-Clothing -Horticulture -Quilt I – Machine quilted (any size)
-Collection -Needlework -Quilt II – Hand quilted (any size)

-Creative Arts and Crafts -Painting

<u>Tuesday – October 13, 2015</u>

8:00 am until 12:00 noon Final Check-in for non-food entries

8:00 am until 12:00 noon Check-in for the all Baked Good divisions:

Baked Goods - Diabetic Baked Goods - Decorated Cakes

12:00 noon until 5:00 pm **Judging for all entries**

5:00 pm until 6:00 pm Check-out and pick-up for all Baked Goods, Diabetic

Baked Goods and Decorated Cake division entries. (All Baked Goods, Diabetic Baked Goods, and Decorated Cake entries not picked-up by 6:00pm will become

property of the New Salem EEA.)

Wednesday – October 14, 2015

8:00 am until 5:00 pm Exhibits open to the public

5:00 pm until 7:00 pm Check-out and pick-up for all divisions

5:30 pm Pictures Time:

Best of Show, Grand and Reserve Champion Winners

Aprilitate Projects August 17, 2015

Heart O' Texas & State Fair Stock Show Entry Night

Entry night for Fall Majors (Heart O' Texas & State Fair) will be at the New Salem Building in Rockdale from 6:00-7:30pm. If you plan to compete in either of these shows you will need to attend entry night to enter yourself and your project. Please bring the exhibitors Social Security Card and Quality Counts Number. If for some reason you will be unable to attend the entry night contact Milam County Extension Office before

Remember to take your online Quality Counts Verification if you have not taken it before, or you just turned 14.

August 17.





Lamb & Goat Tag Order Deadline

If you plan on showing a Lamb, Goat, breeding goat, or breeding sheep in any 2016 Major shows you will need to order tags before August 21. Tags can be purchased at the County Extension Office.

Market Lambs, Market Goats, Wether Dams, and Wether Does will be \$12.00 Registered Sheep and Registered Goats will be \$10.00

Lambs and goats validated for the 2015 State Fair of Texas will have to be revalidated for the 2016 Spring

Majors. TLBA (Texas Lamb Breeders Assn.) tag numbers MUST be in the lamb's ear and recorded on the validation form at validation. NO TLBA tag numbers will be added to the validation forms after the forms are submitted. Market lambs must have a TBLA tag to be eligible to compete in the San Angelo Stock Show or Receive TBLA Recognition at other major shows. Lamb/Goat validation for spring shows will be in late October.

If you have any questions please contact:

Floyd O. Ingram IV

County Extension Agent-Agriculture & Natural Resources

Email: floyd.ingram@ag.tamu.edu

4-H FCS Projects

Consumer Decision Waking

What: Consumer Orientation

When: September 1, 2015

Time: 7pm

Where: Yoe High School FCS Room (A3)

Ages: All

Do you like to shop??? Wanna learn how to better save money? Then, the consumer project is for you! We will be learning about what consumer project is and making plans for meetings, events, and other information at this orientation! Come and learn about what consumer is all about!

County Food Show

What: County Food Show

When: October 24, 2015, 2-4pm

Where: New Salem Building, Rockdale

Ages: All (Clovers-Seniors)

Entry Deadline: October 19, 2015

Categories:

Senior District Food Show Categories: TBA

Clovers, Juniors, Intermediates, Seniors: Texas, Chocolate, Holiday, Afterschool snacks, Less than 5 ingredients, Healthy

May compete in 2 categories (Seniors can compete in 3 if one is a District Food Show Category.)

To Enter, please check your 4-H Blast later for a link to enter online!

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Performing Arts Center - YOE High School at 1000 N Fannin St.

Is A Time To Recognize:

- 4-Hers for Accomplishments
- Leaders for Guidance
- ♦ Sponsors for Support

Time Schedule:

- ♦ Setup for 4-H Celebration12:30—2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Program Practice Session1:00—2:00 p.m.
- Refreshments......2:00—2:30 p.m.
- ♦ Awards Program/Drawing for fundraiser.....2:30 4:00 p.m.

Pictures will be taken as the awards

are presented on the stage.

Invite Your Friends & Family to Learn About 4-H at the Celebration Event.

One Day 4-H - October 10

Join over 10,000 other 4-H members in Texas on OCTOBER 10, 2015 as they step out into their communities to make a difference in one day! One day 4-H is one day for all the 4-H members, parents, leaders, and volunteers to step out into their communities and county and say "thank you" by giving back for them more than 103 years of support to 4-H in Texas. This day of community service is what ever each 4-H member, club, or county 4-H Program wants it to be. It could be as simple as picking up trash and mowing the lawn for senior citizens to elaborate as hosting a 5K Walk/Run and raising money for a cause.

How do you participate?

- 4-H members and their clubs/county programs should start now on identifying and planning a community service project.
- Work to secure all the necessary supplies/equipment/resources to get the project done.
- Advertise/market your project to locate media and others in the community so they will know the difference you, and 4-H, are making.
- Sign your project up at the one day 4-H website http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/oneday

Conduct your project and then report your successes at the one day 4-H website.

County Council Parent and Leaders Meeting

August 17: 4-H Council and Leaders meeting is set for <u>August 17 at 6:30pm</u> at New Salem Building, Rockdale. This will be an important meeting to elect county council officers, along with finalizing plans for the Celebration and National 4-H Week.

Be a part of the 4-H Council and Leaders meetings:

- Assist in planning county activities and events
- Any 4-Her 12 years of age and up can be an active member of council
- Any 4-H leader can attend the leader meeting

4-H County Council/Parent & Leader Dates to Remember

Date and Time	Program	County Council /Parent Leader	Location
August 17 th , 6:30pm	4-H Promotion and Celebration Planning/County Council Officer Election	Both	Rockdale-New Salem Bldg (Host: Rockdale 4-H Club)
September 21 st , 6:30pm	County Council Choice	County Council	Sr Citizens Ctr, Thorndale (Host: Thorndale 4-H Club)
October 19 th , 6:30pm	Recordbook Training	Both	Gause ISD (Host: Gause 4- H Club)
November 17 th , 6:30pm	Scholarship Training	County Council	Milano ISD (Host: Milano 4-H Club)
December 7 th , 6:30pm	Christmas Party	Both	TBD

Eligibility Forms

- ⇒ Required from 4-Hers for each competitive event (Sept May)
- ⇒ Completed by 4-Her and Signed by the school.
- ⇒ Return signed forms to Extension Office by fax or mail one week prior to event.
- ⇒ Forms available on the website: http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-enrollmentguidelines/eligibility-form/



Milam County 4-H Club - Contact Information

Regular Meeting dates are subject to change, please contact a club manager prior to attending your first club meeting.

Cameron 4-H

Carolyn Hux

phone: 254-482-0922 email: cjhux@camp1.net

Monica Barton

phone: 254-482-0196

email: mbarton@cameronisd.net

Regular Meeting:

1st Monday or Tuesday of each month

Time: 6:00 pm Location: Yoe High School

No Meetings: May, June, July

Gause 4-H

Wanda Lee

phone: 979-279-2472 email: wgl@sbcglobal.net

Kelly Cooper

phone: 979-587-0382

email: klee-cooper@gauseisd.net

Regular Meeting:

2nd Tuesday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Gause I.S.D. Cafeteria

No Meetings: June, July, August

Milano 4-H

Trisha Jones

phone: 512-269-8577

email: aggiechick30@gmail.com

Dorcas Popham

phone: 979-777-8719

email: dpopham@milanoisd.net

Regular Meeting:

1st Tuesday of each month

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Milano High School Cafeteria

No Meetings: June, July, August

Rockdale 4-H

Susan Dean

phone: 512-429-1445

email: sdean.rockdale@yahoo.com

Paul & Rebecca Luckey phone: 512-446-6569 email: rluckey@tamu.edu

Regular Meeting:

2nd Monday of each month

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: New Salem Clubhouse (Rockdale)

No Meetings: June, July, August

Shooting Sports 4-H

Stacey Pedroza

phone: 512-269-9874

email: spedroza8@yahoo.com

Susan & Tiny Dean

phone: 512-429-1445

email: sdean.rockdale@yahoo.com

jtinyd@hotmail.com

First Club Meeting - September

2 Sundays per month Jan thru May

Time: 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Location: New Salem Clubhouse (Rockdale)

No Meetings: June, July, August, November

Thorndale 4-H

Becky Garcia

phone: 512-898-2760

email: rgrimmgarcia@gmail.com

Cindy Widner

phone: 512-917-4768

email: cindydianewidner@yahoo.com

Regular Meeting:

4th Monday of each month

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Thorndale Sr. Citizen's Bldg. 200 Cornelius St. - Thorndale

No Meetings: Dec, May, July



DINNER TONIGHT! Healthy Cooking School

Easy, Nutritious and Economical Ways to Feed Your Family!



For more information contact Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

La Copa Ranch 1st Annual Customer Appreciation Show & Clinic

Milam County Youth Expo Building

301 South Houston Street. Cameron, TX August 15, 2015

9:00 a.m.

Clinic sponsored by ShowRite Feeds
FREE to all Participants
Complimentary Lunch

Topics Include:

- * Feeding
- * Health and Management
- * Hands-on Showmanship
- * Selection
- * Exercising
- * Fitting

Featuring:

Kevin Mock Dr. Lamar Crossland, DVM Conner Newsom -Judge



Kevin Mock 512-787-2948

Weight Cards due at 11:00 AM BUCKLES TO BE AWARDED TO:

Overall Grand and Reserve, and 3 Showmanship Divisions

* Please note that the show is open to La Copa wethers only*

DON'T MISS THE SALE, La Copa Ranch August 14, 2015 7:00 PM At the Ranch

For More Information Contact:

Larry Jackson 512-635-0573; LaCopaVentures@gmail.com Priscilla Jackson 512-635-6934 Taylor Shearrer 830-480-3724; 512-677-2605



Hotel Accommodations: Budget Host Inn 102 Lafayette Ave Cameron, TX 76520 254-605-0610

Room Block with Special Rate!



INSTRUCTIONS

Access the 4-H CONNECT on-line system at: https://texas.4honline.com/

2. New Members: Select [I need to set up a profile].

Returning Members: Select [I have a profile] or [I forgot my password].

Contact County Extension Office for resetting assistance.

3. New Members: Select Adult or Youth from the drop down menu and click [Add Member].

Returning Members: Click [Edit] to the right of the inactive member's profile.

 Once all profile information is current and correct under the Personal Information, Additional Information, Health Form, and Participation areas of enrollment continue to the Invoice page.

Review your invoice to ensure that the participation fee has been charged and it is correct. If you have been awarded an award certificate or a scholarship to cover your participation fee, enter the award code in the award code box. Once information has been reviewed, click continue to the Payment screen.

6. New Members: If you are new to 4-H, you can add your credit card payment information to 4-H CONNECT and it

will be securely stored. Click the orange [Add New Credit Card] link if paying with credit card or

select the county club check option.

Returning Members: If the credit card on file has been updated you will need to remove it and add the credit card again

using the new information.

7. Select the appropriate method of payment by clicking on the correct button, then click [Select Payment Method.]

On the "Confirm page" each person will be required to click the [Pay By Computer Terms and Conditions]. Click [Submit Enrollment]

9. Once an enrollment (new member) or re-enrollment (returning member) has been submitted, it is sent to the county office for review and approval. Once approved and paid for, an email confirmation will be sent to the family email address. Payment by 4-H Check can take up to 2 weeks to process. An active membership status WILL NOT be granted until participation fees have been received and marked as paid.

4HConnect Instruction pages can be found online at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/connect

NEW MEMBERS

- Set up only one (1) FAMILY profile household on 4-H CONNECT.
- Write down and place in a secure location the email address and password for the account. Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance in resetting the account.
- Add individual youth and adult profiles (members) in your family profile. Adult/Youth and family profiles must be entered for an enrollment to be reviewed and accepted.

RETURNING MEMBERS

- **DO NOT** establish another family or member profile on 4-H CONNECT if you already have one in the system.
 - Contact the local County Extension Office for assistance with the email or password if forgotten.
 - When you access your profile to reenroll REVIEW YOUR PROFILE VERY CAREFULLY. Incorrect information can create problems for you, your family, and the Extension Office when trying to communicate, accessing appropriate fees, acquiring school absences, etc.



4-HGROVS 2015 VIRTUAL SUMMIT

AUGUST 19-21

Summit workshops are open to all County Extension Agents, Volunteers, Parents, and Leaders involved in the 4-H Program!

Wednesday, August 19th

National 4-H Council Webinar: Building the 4-H Brand

KEYNOTE: Growing 4-H's Reach and Relevance: You are the Key!

Why Be Social?

2:00 PM Leaders 4 Life

11:00 AM

1:00 PM

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11:00 AM

2:00 PM 4-H Horse Project Opportunities & Resources

3:00 PM Implementing Quality Counts in Livestock Projects

Implementing Take a Stand

Community Service & One Day 4-H: Your Impact on the World

Thursday, August 20th

KEYNOTE: Generations and Programming

Babysitting Savvy Training

Got Character?

10:30 AM Biosecurity for backyard and show poultry

10:30 AM Let's Click It - Starting a Photography Project

11:00 AM Duds to Dazzle 101

11:00 AM Food & Nutrition Curriculum & Educational Resources

Consumer Decision Making

Texas Friendly Ambassador: Online Soft Skills Training for Youth

Duds to Dazzle: Let the Fun Begin

Poultry Judging

Judging Contest Reasons

Recordkeeping - It's More Than a Book!

Friday, August 21st

Recipe for Success with the 4-H Food Show

Domo Arigato Mr. Roboto!

United Future Leaders

Safe Sitters SPIN Club

Assisting Volunteers in Developing Shooting Sports Programs

Prestige Leadership Conference

CAPNOTE: Chris Boleman

ACCESS ALL WORKSHOPS AT:

texas4-h.tamu.edu/summit/



Ambassadors Announced

We want to congratulate the following 4-H members as being selected to the Ambassador group! They will be our leaders for the County and help and assist at 4-H, AG, and FCS programs as well as lead workshops for the Milam County 4-H! Great job ya'll!

- Chandler Barton
- Neeraj Bhakta
- Julianna Byrd
- Cameron Cooper
- Patrick Dean
- Julia Harwell
- Hannah Hux
- Danielle Pedroza
- Scott Widner







MILAM COUNTY
4-H NEWSLETTER



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