**4-H Blast**

January 16, 2019

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* **January 16:** County Council/Recordbook Training, 5:30pm, Gause Library
* **January 22:** Consumer Practice (Int/Sr), 6pm, Bea’s Kitchen
* **January 28:** Final Scholarship Application Due on 4-H Connect

***4-H Facebook:*** Don’t forget we have a 4-H Facebook page!!!! We post 4-H Blasts, 4-H contest results and neat opportunities to do in 4-H! Make sure that you “see us first” in your settings. Step 1: Like the Page, Step 2: Click on Following, Step 3: See First, Step 4: Turn Notifications ON! Then you will see all 4-H posts when they arrive!

***High School Seniors:*** Please make sure you are completing your FAFSA and working on college and scholarship applications!!!!

Texas 4-H Scholarship Deadlines:

November 2018 – January 2019: Applicant complete FAFSA

**January 7, 2019**: First Draft Due to County Office

**January 28, 2019**: Final Application Due to County Office

**February 1, 2019**: County Review and 4-H Connect Approval Deadline\*

**February 15, 2019**: District Review and 4-H Connect Approval Deadline\*

**April 12, 2019**: Interview selection notification

**May 3-5, 2019**: Interviews in College Station (MUST BE PRESENT)

**June 11-13, 2019**: Awards Assembly in College Station (MUST BE PRESENT)

\*The status of “APPROVED” on 4-H CONNECT simply means that the information was submitted. It does not indicate eligibility or awarding of a scholarship.

Link to Scholarship documents: <https://texas4hfoundation.org/what-we-do/#opportunity-scholarships>

***County Council/Club Manager Meeting Dates:***

County Council will kick back in gear in January! The following are the dates for County Council:

**Wednesday, January 16th**, 5:30pm, Gause School Library (Recordbook Training)

Feb/March- NO MEETINGS, Stock Shows and Contest Preparations

**Monday, April 15th**, 5:30pm, Thorndale Chamber of Commerce (Teen Issues/Driving- Healthy Ambassadors give presentation)

**Monday, May 20th**, 5:30pm Cameron, Bea’s Kitchen (Officer Election)

**Tuesday, June 25th**, 5:30pm, Cameron, Bea’s Kitchen (Club Manager Training, Recordbook Judging)

Please mark your calendars to join us for these meetings!!!!

***MCJLS DATES TO REMEMBER:***

***MCJLS- March 28-30, 2019***

* Mkt. Bunnies will be tattooed: **February 25,** 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. (subject to change).
* Mkt. Turkey: Order from Teacher/Agent. See Rule F1

Entry NIGHTS:

* Monday, **February 11th:** Rockdale General Store Meeting Room
* Tuesday, **February 12th**: Thorndale Ag Science Building
* Monday, **February 25th**: Cameron
* All entries must be received by secretary no later than February 25, 2019. After February 25, late entries will be accepted until March 28th for an ADDITIONAL $100.00 per entry.

***National 4-H Conference:*** The application for National 4-H Conference is now open on 4HConnect. Conference is scheduled for **April 6-11, 2019** at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland just outside of Washington DC. National 4-H Conference is a working conference in which youth and adults, at the invitation of the Secretary of Agriculture, assist in the development of recommendations to help guide 4-H Youth Development programs nationally and in local communities. There is no fee for a member to apply. However, a fee of $2,000 will be due for members selected to participate by **February 4, 2019**.

***Milam County 4-H Information!*** For information about any 4-H related activity, please go to the website or facebook page! www.Join4-h.com or www.facebook.com/milamcountyfourH

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