**4-H Blast**

November 17, 2020

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4-H Happenings Coming Up:

* **November 16-20:** Holiday Gift Idea Exchange, Facebook page
* **November 18:** County Food Show/Challenge Eligibility Forms Due
* **November 20:** Hill County Shoot Out Targets Mailed
* **November 20:** Share the Fun Project Leader Workshop, 6:30pm, Zoom (MUST REGISTER)
* **November 23:** MCJLS Mkt. Lambs & Goats, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. (subject to change).
* **November 23:** Snowflakes due to County Extension Office
* **November 23:** Butterbraid Delivery, 11:30am, Office
* **November 23:** D8 4-H Scholarship Forum (Training), Johnson Co Office
* **November 30:** County Food Show/Challenge, 5:00pm, Zoom
* **December 1:** District Food Show/Challenge Eligibility Forms Due
* **December 3:** District Food Show/Challenge, Bell County Expo
* **December 5:** MCJLS Mkt. Hogs: 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. (subject to change).
* **December 8:** D8 4-H Scholarship Forum (Training), Bell Co Office
* **December 13:** Milam County 4-H Banquet, 2pm, Thorndale Fireman’s Hall
* **December 21:** MCJLS Mkt. Broilers: Order 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Youth Expo Bldg.

**4-H Enrollment STARTED September 1st!!!!!! PLEASE ENROLL NOW! There is a NEW ENROLLMENT WEBSITE!**

***ENROLLMENT STARTS SEPTEMBER 1ST***! [www.join4h.com](http://www.join4h.com) Tell your friends to sign up!!! To re-enroll or join 4-H, please see our website: <http://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-enrollmentguidelines/> This link will show you the steps to join as well as many important items for the 4-H year! Join us for 4-H fun!

PLEASE CHECK YOUR ENROLLMENT BEFORE YOU SUBMIT IT! If you are awaiting review, you are good! If it says resubmit or incomplete, you will need to finish before you can be approved!

***Eligibility Form:*** Please make sure that you are completing your eligibility forms before you go to the show. You will NOT be able to show unless you have enrolled online AND have a completed eligibility form. You must have them signed yourself and sent to the school and the school will send us your signed form if eligible.

***4-H Facebook:*** Do not 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! **DURING THIS TIME, PLEASE CHECK THE FACEBOOK FOR UPDATED INFORMATION ON EVENTS SO YOU CAN RECEIVE THEM IN A TIMELY MANNER!**

***Club/Project News:***

* **Milano 4-H Club:** Milano 4-H Club is ready for meetings! Please connect with their club by joining their Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1677500032472214> You need to enroll online to receive the zoom link!
* **Plant ID:** If you are interested in being in the 4-H Plant ID project, please email Irby McWiliams: irby.mcwilliams@icloud.com
* **Cameron 4-H Club Facebook Page:** Cameron 4-H Club has a new facebook page (the old one was closed). Please like the new page for club news and information: <https://www.facebook.com/camerontx4hclub>

***ATTENTION:*** All 4-H members and families MUST sign a COVID 19 Screening form when you attend a 4-H event/club meeting. You can grab these at: <https://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/files/2020/08/Screening-Letter-COVID-19-Youth-Overnight-events-6.12.20.pdf>

They will have a few at the meeting if you forget it. Please wear your mask and practice social distancing at the 4-H club meetings. If you are attending an online meeting, the screening forms are not needed.

***Share the Fun Workshop:*** The District 4 4-H Share the Fun Committee would like to invite agents, 4-H parents, teen leaders, and volunteers to join us backstage on Friday, **November 20th** at 6:30 p.m. to learn more about the Share the Fun categories. This workshop will be viewed in Zoom. Participants can choose to watch the live presentation or receive the recording once it becomes available.

To receive the Zoom link, register at <https://grayson.agrilife.org/stfproject>.

***Snowflake Project:*** We would love to include our 4-H members in our Extension Office Christmas Decorating Contest. We are asking all the 4-H members to help us make homemade snowflakes! We would need them by ***November 23rd*** as we will be decorating the week of Thanksgiving! Please share and ask your 4-H members to help us decorate our office! Thanks! Snowflakes can be white or silver- big or small.

***4-H Consumer Project:***

Butterbraids:

Fundraiser Delivery: **November 23rd** 11:30am

***District and County Food Show/Challenge:*** This year will be a little different for County Food Show. We do not have a facility to hold the County event so we will be doing it via zoom in the comfort of your own kitchen or team’s kitchen. Please see below for the deadlines and dates to remember. For more information and entry form, please go to our website: <https://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/projects/food-and-nutrition-project/> Please remember as you start practicing that you must be ENROLLED on 4-H Online before practicing for this event!

* **November 18:** Eligibility Forms due to participate in County Food Show/Food Challenge
* **November 30:** County Food Show/Food Challenge, 5:00pm, ZOOM
* **December 1:** Eligibility Forms due to participate in District Food Show/Food Challenge
* **December 3:** District Food Show/Challenge, Bell County Expo

**Cloverbuds Project Group:** NEW!!!!!! This year we will be having our first ever Cloverbuds project group! We will be meeting monthly on zoom and learning about all kinds of fun projects and activities!

Cloverbuds are Kindergarteners, 1st graders, and 2nd graders

2nd Monday, 6:30pm-7:30pm, ZOOM **NEW TIME FOR DECEMBER ONLY!!!!!**

Next Meeting: **December 14** Topic: Christmas!!!!!

You MUST SIGN up on 4-H Online to be on the Zoom!

For more information on Cloverbuds, please see the website: <https://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-clover-kids-k-2nd-grade/>

This month you will need to bring:

WEAR PAJAMAS!!!!

Show and Tell: Your favorite thing about Christmas (item or event)

We will be mailing a special surprise do not forget to bring it!

***4-H Holiday Gift Idea Exchange:*** **CHECK OUT THE 4-H FACEBOOK PAGE AND SEE ALL THE ENTRIES ONLINE! SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL 4-HERS DOING THEIR PROJECTS!!!!** This year's Holiday Gift Idea Exchange will be a different look to our event! We will be putting a video of all the kids' crafts up on the Facebook page from **November 16-20, 2020**. As the week goes, families will add their names in the comments of the video to be entered for door prizes! Please check out the event page for reminders and deadlines! See the website for how to enter as a 4-H member: <https://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-clubs/holiday-gift-idea-exchange/>

***D8 4-H Scholarship Forum:*** Seniors: Join us as we discuss how and when to apply for the Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarship. Register today! <https://forms.gle/h3A59H4FbHs5twuw7>

**November 23:** Johnson County Office

**December 8:** Bell County Office

***4-H Banquet:*** Don’t forget to attend the 4-H Banquet set for **December 13th.** At the Thorndale Fireman’s Hall at 2pm. Remember you must sign a COVID form, wear a mask, and set with your family unit.

***Milam County Junior Livestock Show:*** The Rules have been updated and posted on the website. Baked goods will be added later. <https://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-projects/milam-county-junior-livestock-show/>

**March 24-28, 2021**

* Steers will be tagged: Milam Co. major show tags will be accepted, or steers will be tagged **September 8**, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. (Youth Expo Bldg)
* Beef Heifers: **November 1**, (Non. Registered must be tagged) (Contact steer superintendent before **October 15, 2020**)
* Mkt. Lambs & Goats: **November 23, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m**. (subject to change). Milam County Major show tags will be accepted.
* Mkt. Hogs: **December 5**, 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. (subject to change). Milam County Major show tags will be accepted.
* Mkt. Broilers: Order **December 21**, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Youth Expo Bldg.
* Mkt. Bunnies will be tattooed: **February 27**, 8:00 –10:00 a.m. (subject to change).
* Mkt. Turkey: Order from Teacher/Agent. See Rule F1.

 Entry cards and fees must be turned into SHOW SECRETARY on show registration night. Dates will Be: Thorndale – Tuesday, **February 9**, location to be announced. Cameron – Thursday, **February 11**, Youth Expo Building. Contact your C.E.A, or Ag Science Teacher for further information. All entries must be received by secretary no later than **February 11,** 2021. After **February 11**, late entries will be accepted until **March 24th** for an ADDITIONAL $100.00 per entry.

***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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