**4-H Blast**

June 29, 2023

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4-H Happenings Coming Up:

* **June 30:** 4-H FriYAY Day Camp, 9am-1pm (Clovers), 12pm-4pm (Juniors/Int/Sr)
* **July 3: All recordbooks due back for District Judging by NOON**
* **July 3: Josh’s FIRST DAY!!!! Welcome JOSH!!!!**
* **July 3-4: Holiday- Office closed at noon on July 3rd, and all-day July 4th**
* **July 6: District Recordbook Judging**
* **July 7-9: D8 County Camp (3-12 grade), Palestine**
* **July 8: Rockdale Fair Steer Tag In, 7:00 to 9:00 am, Rockdale Fair Park**
* **July 8: Rockdale Fair Lambs, Swine & Goats Tag In, 7:00 to 9:00 am, Rockdale Fair Park**
* **July 26: Bell-Milam Youth AgriBusiness Tour, 7am-6pm, Extension Office \*4 SPOTS OPEN-SIGN UP NOW\***
* **August 1: Award Interviews, 1-5pm, County Extension Office**
* **August 19: 4-H Open House, 9am-12pm, County Extension Office**
* **September 10: 4-H Banquet, 2pm, Cameron PAC**

***Important Addresses:***

* **County Extension Office/Milam County Annex: 806 N Crockett Avenue, Cameron TX**
* **YEB (Youth Exposition Building): 301 S Houston Ave, Cameron, TX 76520**
* **Extension Office Conference: Meeting Room by Extension Office inside Milam County Annex**
* **Bea’s Kitchen (Senior Center inside of Milam County Annex): 806 N Crockett Avenue, Cameron TX**

***Milam County 4-H Shirts:***

**Shirts are here at the office for purchase! Come by and see what we have! They are $15 each.**

***Recordbooks:***

**July 3: All recordbooks due back for District Judging by NOON**

**July 6: District Recordbook Judging**

**August 1: Award Interviews, 1-5pm, County Extension Office (Bronze, Silver, Gold/IDY)**

***NEW County Extension Agent- AG/NR:***

**Please welcome Josh Evans! He is our new Ag Agent who will be working with all of the 4-H Ag projects! He is really excited to be here and looking forward to meeting all of you! He will be starting livestock judging really soon too! Be on the lookout for some practice dates! Josh’s first official day is Monday, July 3rd!**

***Rockdale Fair Rules Posted:***

**Rockdale Fair: October 19-21, 2023**

**The Rockdale Fair have been posted to the 4-H Website and can be viewed here:** <https://milam.4h.agrilife.org/rockdale-fair/> **Please READ ALL THE RULES for Important Dates and Deadlines!**

**Tag Orders/Deadlines:**

* **Turkey: Order through RFA, pick-up June 23rd, Home Demonstration Bldg., Rockdale Fair Park, 4:30 to 6:30 pm, HENS ONLY Cost per turkey: $5.00**
* **Steers: Major show tag will be accepted or steers will be tagged July 8, 2023, 7:00 to 9:00 am, Rockdale Fair Park. ALL ENTRY FORMS DUE OR POSTMARKED BY JULY 8, 2023 and must show Texas major show tag validation number with exhibitor or family name.**
* **Lambs, Swine & Goats: July 8, 2023, 7:00 to 9:00 am, Rockdale Fair Park**
* **Broilers: pick-up September 8th, Home Demonstration Bldg., Fair Park, 4:30 to 6:30 pm, Cost per broiler: $1.74**
* **Rabbits: September 13th, 2023, 5:30 to 7:00 pm, Home Demonstration Building, Rockdale Fair Park**
* **Breeding Beef Heifer entries postmarked and due September 13, 2023**
* **Ag Mechanics: Entry forms must be postmarked no later than midnight, October 2, 2023.**
* **Baked Goods: Entry forms must be postmarked no later than September 21, 2023**
* **All exhibitors showing market animals, commercial heifers, breeding beef heifers, baked food and ag mechanic projects will be required to come to one board approved cleanup/set up day, Saturday, October 7th, 8am to 11am, Saturday, October 14th, 8:00am to 11:00am or Sunday, October 15, 1:30pm to 4:30pm. Exhibitors will be required to sign in. FAILURE TO ATTEND MAY RESULT IN PROBATION OR DISQUALIFICATION.**

***Bell-Milam Youth AgriBusiness Tour: \*\*\*ONLY 4 SPOTS LEFT\*\*\*\* Sign up NOW!!!!* It’s time to sign up for the 2023 Bell-Milam Youth Agribusiness Tour which will be held Wednesday, July 26th! 2023 is the 6th year of our annual Bell-Milam Youth Agribusiness Tour! Each of our stops will feature a facet of agricultural production along with interactive learning. Youth will have the opportunity to connect with local producers and see the impact of agriculture from many perspectives. To sign up for the tour, participants must be a member of Bell or Milam County 4-H and in 6th-12th grade. The first ten applicants will be accepted from each county. Youth must have an interest in production agriculture. Transportation and meals will be provided for all participants at no cost by our tour sponsor. Milam County youth will meet the bus and depart from the Milam County Extension Office at 7:00 am. The bus will return to Cameron around 6:00 pm. The registration form can be fill out online at:** <https://forms.gle/SmyAQw4tvb6k7cbz7> **4-H membership is required. However, if you know someone who is interested in the tour but is not yet a member, tell them to give us a call so that we can get them enrolled! Let us know if you have any questions!**

***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 3 dots by search and like and then click Follow Settings, Step 3: set as favorite, Step 4: Click on Posts and choose STANDARD, Then you will see all 4-H posts when they arrive!

***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](http://www.Join4-h.com) or [www.facebook.com/milamcountyfourH](http://www.facebook.com/milamcountyfourH)

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