CAMERON COUNTY 4-H NEWSDAY

The official monthly newsletter of the Cameron County 4-H Program

April Issue



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Spring has sprung!

As the vibrant blooms of spring paint Cameron County in a kaleidoscope of colors, we extend a warm embrace to the month of April! Cameron County 4-H has a packed few months ahead, filled with many county, district, and state events to round out this 4-H year! We want to thank you all for all of your hard work, dedication, and continuous help thus far!

If you ever need assistance, the Cameron County Extension Office is here to help. Stay informed about our latest activities and programs by reading our newsletter, joining our Remind group, and following us on social media.

Please do not hesitate to call us at (956) 361-8236, we are always eager to help however we can.

Cameron County 4-H Program Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - Cameron County 1390 W. Expressway 83, San Benito, TX 78586 (956)361-8236

Sincerely, Analisa Sanchez 🎇 CEA 4-H and Youth Development



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Cameron County 4-H



- (4/6) D12 FASHION SENSATION CONTEST / ROUNDUP
- (4/8) CAMERON COUNTY 4-H AWARDS APPLICATION OPENS
- (4/11) D12 LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST
- (4/13) CAMERON COUNTY MASTER GARDENER PLANT SALE
- (4/15) COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING / SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE/ OFFICER DECLERATIONS DUE
- (4/20) MUTLI-DISTRICT MEAT JUDGING CONTEST
- (4/27) D12 3-P & SILHOUETTE RIFLE MATCH



- (5/4) CAMERON COUNTY 4-H AWARD INTERVIEWS
- (5/11) CAMERON COUNTY 4-H AWARDS BANQUET
- (5/21) COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING / ELECTIONS





Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and Rodeo

At the 85th annual Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, our Cameron County 4-H members took part in a wide range of contests this year! From livestock projects to workshop, leadership, photography, and more – they all performed exceptionally well, resulting in over \$60,000 in project sales and premiums! We are incredibly proud of all who participated!



















Cameron County 4-H **AWARD APPLICATION**

Deadline: April 28th, 2024



Junior

- Outstanding Jr Jr. Rookie of the year Jr. Rising Star Bronze Star

Intermediate

- Outstanding Int. Int. Rookie of the year Silver Star Bronze Star

Senior

- I Dare You Outstanding Sr Sr. Rookie of the year Carl Macomb III





Check out the application for more information!

APPLY NOW

TEXAS A&M GRILIFE **EXTENSION**

CAMERON COUNTY MASTER GARDENER

Saturday, April 13, 2024

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Education Garden 1390 W Expressway 83 San Benito, TX 78586 (LOCATED WITHIN THE GATES OF THE COUNTY BUILDING)

BRING YOUR OWN WAGON

All proceeds support community education programs and education garden.





Natives & More

Plant Clinic







2024 District 12 4-H Smallbore 3-I and Silhouette Rifle Match





April 27, 2024 Duval County Park Benavides, TX

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Register via 4-H Online March 19 - April 12, 2024







DISTRICT 12 4-H ELECTION CONVENTION ON JUNE 14, 2024

COME AND PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTION OF OUR DISTRICT OFFICERS.

REGISTER VIA 4-H ONLINE MARCH 25 - MAY 31, 2024

RUN FOR DISTRICT 12 4-H COUNCIL!

Apply on 4-H Online

Applications open March 25, 2024 Closes May 10, 2024

Interviews will be May 25, 2024

Election Convention will be June 14, 2024



IGNÎTE YOUR SERVÎCE

Our mission is to provide love, care, and support to animals in shelters by delivering essential supplies and goodies that bring them comfort and happiness.

We need YOUR help: We need the following districts to gather supplies!



District 1-2: Bowls
District 3-8: Dry food
District 6-7: Cleaning supplies
District 4-5: Toys

District 9-11: Dawn Dish Soap
District 10-12: Treats



DATES

Tuesday: Tie blankets Wednesday: Dog treats Thursday: Care package





The District 12 4-H Leadership Lab is an overnight amping experience for youth in the 7th- 12th grades.

he purpose of this event is to provide our 4-H member with the opportunity to learn valuable leadership and life skills. These skills are learned and enhanced through various hands-on educational activities and team-building exercises.

Registration: May 1st - 23rd
Camp Dates: June 11th - 13th
Location: Texas A&M University- Kingsville
Cost: \$180 per attendee









TEXAS 4-H BEEKEEPING ESSAY CONTEST

Deadline Sunday, April 21st

Submit Electronically via Texas 4HOnline: Event: State - 2024 Beekeeping Essay Contest



The 2024 Essay Topic has been announced by The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey

2024 Essay Topic: Varietal Honeys

For this essay, a 4-H student should answer these questions: What makes a varietal honey? What are some unique varietals? How are some of the valuable varietals confirmed to be authentic (e.g., Manuka honey UMF and MGO)? What are some culturally or economically important varietals and why are they important?

- Essays must be typewritten or computer-generated on single-sided pages and formatted following standard manuscript format using double-spaced type and 12pt font in a legible font face.
 Essays must encompass the designated topic in 750 to 1,000 words. Word count does not include sources, works cited, or the writer's biographical statement.
 All factual statements and interview references must be coted in a "sources" or "bibliography."
 Essays will be judged on (a) scope of research, 40%; (b) accuracy, 30%; (c) creativity, 10%; (d) conciseness, 10%; and (e) logical development of the lopic, 10%.
 On a separate page, please include a brief biographical statement of the writer including mailing address, email address, and phone number.
 Essay must be submitted online via 4HOnline by midnight Sunday, Aprill 21, 2024



Lone Star 4-H Splash Camp





GRILIFE EXTENSION

CAMP ACTIVITIES

Camp activities are led by Texas 4-H Water Ambassa and Texas 4-H Conference Center staff. Activities will





* Open to 6th - 8th grade students *

Take the plunge for a fun-filled weekend with the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors. Immerse yourself in hands-on and interactive water activities and expand your knowledge and appreciation of all things WATER. Make new friends and lasting memories!

Registration open February 5 - April 5 on the Texas 4-H @ https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/

Check-in: Friday, April 26 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Pick-up: Sunday, April 28 11:00 am

Cost: \$210 per camper (includes 2 nights dorm lodging, meals, t-shirt, water bottle and activities)



Adult Chaperones Needed. (Chaperones may attend free of charge but must register and be approved Texas 4-H Adult Volunteers.)

2024 Lone Star 4-H Splash Cam





If you are interested in participating in the Texas 4-H Landscape Challenge contest, please call our office!







Registration Timelines:

Legislative Bill Submission
Feb. 5-May 30, 2024
Lobbyist & Press Corp Application Open
Feb. 15-March 14, 2024
Early Bird Registration
April 1-April 30, 2024
Regular Registration
May 1-May 30, 2024

Join Texas 4-H in the Legislative process as you submit, debate, & decide the fate of legislation affecting Texas!

> Open to 4-H members in 9th-12th grades

4-H Youth participate as members of the House of Representatives/Senate, Press Corps, or Lobbyist!

To sign up as a Congress Delegate, please contact your CEA.

To learn more about Texas 4-H Congress, submit your bills, and to apply for the Press Corp & as a Lobbvist, visit: texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/congress/



Valley Nature Center Nature Quest Camps

June 3rd-7th
June 10th-14th
June 17th-21st

Ages: 5-6

Ages: 7-8

Ages: 9-10

\$110/per child 9:00am-3:00pm Breakfast, lunch, and two snacks provided daily. All camp materials provided.

A Samp materials provided:

301 South Border Ave. Weslaco TX, 78596 956-969-2457





Deadline: April 15th, 2024



Texas Youth Livestock Ambassador Program













2023-2024 CAMERON COUNTY 2023-COUNCIL OFFICERS



Tatum Helmer

1st Vice President



Morgan Stanko

2nd Vice President

Keaton Fohn



Sophia Arellano



Allyana Echartea



Emma Neu



Emery Morrow



Naomi Macmanus



Abigail Neu



Annalise Molina

Officer Spotlight



My name is Emma Grace Neu and I am a member of Arroyo 4H Club, where I am the 1st Vice President. I have held many offices and completed many projects, which include: market goats, dairy goats, cattle, rabbits, livestock judging, photography, canning, and community service. My goal this year is to gain more leadership opportunities and to serve my community more.





I am an 8th grader at Vela
Middle School and I am the Cheer
Captain of our school cheer
team. I was awarded All
American cheerleader at camp. I
play volleyball, basketball, and
softball.

Officer Spotlight



Reporter



Emery Morrow









My name is Emery Morrow and I am in 8th grade at Vela Middle School in Harlingen. I have been a member of Highland Hustlers 4-H club for 6 years and currently hold the office county delegate, and currently hold the office of reporter for the Cameron county council. As a 4-H member, I have had the opportunity to show lambs, hogs, and chickens with lambs being my favorite. I have also played volleyball for the last 2 years and have been chosen as the captain of the B team for two years in a row. and I'm really looking forward to attending volleyball camp this summer in preparation for high school volleyball.



CAMERON COUNTY 4-H SCHEDULE

2023 - 2024

Note: Dates and locations are subject to change!

AUGUST

- **(8/4)** CC 4-H AWARD INTERVIEWS
- **(8/25)** CC 4-H AWARDS BANQUET

SEPTEMBER

- (9/18) CC- COUNCIL
 MEETING/LIVESTOCK
 JUDGING WORKSHOP
- (9/23) CC- FOOD SHOW/ FOOD CHALLENGE WORKSHOP

OCTOBER

- (10/7) LA MUNECA FIELD DAY/ LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST
- (10/8) ONE DAY 4-H
- (10/14) CC FOOD SHOW/FOOD CHALLENGE
- (10/17) HORTICULTURE
 TRAINING/CC- COUNCIL MEETING
- (10/24) LAMB AND GOAD VALIDATION

NOVEMBER

- (11/1-2) PATH TO PLATE
- (11/11) D12 ROUND UP CDM
- (11/13)- FORT WORTH STOCKSHOW APPLICATION DUE
- (11/14)-ALL MAJOR
 STOCKSHOW APPLICATION
 ARE DUE
- (11/20) **C**C AG PRODUCT ID WORKSHOP /HOLIDAY HELP

DECEMBER

- (12/2) D12 MODIFIED 600 & 3D ARCHERY CONTEST
- (12/13) HOLIDAY HELP
- (12/15-16) RGVLS VEGETABLE &
 CITRUS SHOW (AG PRODUCT ID
 CONTEST)

JANUARY

- (1/11) D12 FASHION SHOW STORY BOARD
- (1/16) CC- COUNCIL MEETING /RECORD BOOK TRAINING
- (1/19) CC ROUND UP

FEBRUARY

- (2/2) CC- FASHION SHOW CONTEST
- (2/7) CC- PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
- (2/12) D12 HORSE JUDGING CONTEST
- (2/20) CC- COUNCIL MEETING
- **(2/15-18)** CAMERON COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW

MARCH

- (3/7-17) RGVLS
- (3/1-31) D12 POSTAL LEAGUE
- (3/24) D12 TRAP, SKEET, & WHIZBAND SHOOT
- (3/18) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN

APRIL

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MAY

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JUNE

- (6/2-5)TEXAS 4-H STATE ROUND
- (6/11-14) D12 LEADERSHIP LAB
- **(6/14)** D12 ELECTION CONVENTION
- (6/18) CC- RECORD BOOKS

JULY

- (7/9) D12 RECORD BOOK
- **(7/26-28)** D12 COUNCIL OFFICER RETREAT



CAMERON COUNTY 4-H

Council Meeting Dates

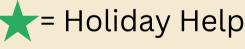
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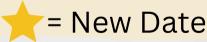




- Monday September 18th, 2023
- Tuesday October 17th, 2023
- ★• Monday November 20th, 2023
- ★ Wednesday December 13th, 2023
 - Tuesday -January 16th, 2024
 - Tuesday February 20th, 2024
 - Monday April 15th, 2024
- ★• Monday May 21th, 2024







All meetings will be held at the Extension Office in our conference room unless stated otherwise

The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife. The Texas A&M University System, U.S.

Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating

4-HERS IN ACTION





























Call for Photos!

REC

Please send in action 4-H photos to be in the Cameron Co. Newsday! Please include name, club, and program!

analisa.sanchez@ag.tamu.edu

00:00:00

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See you soon!





Stay up to date with the Remind App!

class code: ce4228







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