**4-H Blast**

June 22, 2021

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4-H Happenings Coming Up:

* **June 28:** Validation- Thorndale (see below)
* **July 1:** 4-H Day Camp Deadline (no TSHIRT)
* **July 1:** Award Applications Due (excluding Bronze, Silver, Gold, I Dare You)
* **July 6: All recordbooks due back for District Judging**
* **July 7:** Cloverbud Camp, 8am-12pm, Location-TBA
* **July 8:** District Recordbook Judging
* **July 9-11:** County Camp, Palestine (more information to come)
* **July 10:** RFA Lambs, Swine & Goats Tag Ins: 7:00 to 9:00 a.m., Rockdale Fair Park
* **July 14:** Consumer Camp, 1pm-5pm, Location- TBA
* **July 15:** Bell-Milam Youth Ag Tour
* **July 15:** FCH/Food Camp, 8am-5pm, Location- TBA
* **July 19-22:** Vacation Bible School- 4-H Service Project

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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!

***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!

***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](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fu12788118.ct.sendgrid.net%2Fls%2Fclick%3Fupn%3DApMIXhKBzKyWN0q-2FiGgfb4IlHGi4ximYHZlwBqH0-2FagqXT4oz-2Bhc-2BNhdgdbpQ-2FiDxCh-2FbxAxltrkZR1QM3zlEQ-3D-3D2KOW_zh3-2FILpNYLtKsHIj0lLw6F95VmaOxT4Atc-2FYakWjDQMACvBftorQ39L5r5xVTQifYGoHBr0e7udYVddMNrO8xdhLdNrZHirIS4dey3dFwJnCbwhh401q8Z4e3kqwONgHiR-2BGmpcaJ8ybNOo7D2ehCEnVuMNR6Iur947-2Fi8a5IHnUjxuhzURoRo1b8S-2BkfKvCxzgxhhXmKI5skY6aU3Dcz5ZKraa-2Fr-2BMDOOMrnd6I1BaTLqchkzFVU22-2B-2Fb-2BJW2DolPlH0rucPVljN39pSYqF0g-3D-3D&data=04%7C01%7Cmlholcombe%40ag.tamu.edu%7C766d8dbc5d964aab2f5b08d911acda9e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C637560256377122822%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=WYhi36yoJ%2FDVtT7xMGSHJ0ejn7K%2F3rWdJWGaRiWj3%2FM%3D&reserved=0) You need to enroll online to receive the zoom link!
* **Cameron 4-H Club Facebook Page:** Cameron 4-H Club has a new facebook page. Please like the new page for club news and information: [https://www.facebook.com/camerontx4hclub](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fu12788118.ct.sendgrid.net%2Fls%2Fclick%3Fupn%3DApMIXhKBzKyWN0q-2FiGgfb4IlHGi4ximYHZlwBqH0-2FagoHOnHRPfr6nrjNyUcp1RRJ8DoefIqQfpP81AJPaLXvw-3D-3DdtkR_zh3-2FILpNYLtKsHIj0lLw6F95VmaOxT4Atc-2FYakWjDQMACvBftorQ39L5r5xVTQifYGoHBr0e7udYVddMNrO8xdhLdNrZHirIS4dey3dFwJnCbwhh401q8Z4e3kqwONgHhg7P3AF0ewvp1L861aorugR83aDZuIX7cjIBru5sxkMTPpOFxUDLtw1nYuMjhyJkti6pyMroDhlad84Xa9pnqD6iy8QgCUfvYQTQfp74JKmlZe2G7jELNt-2F-2BQ6LtB74i-2BmZdsVKF-2BJIgf26YJQArzw-3D-3D&data=04%7C01%7Cmlholcombe%40ag.tamu.edu%7C766d8dbc5d964aab2f5b08d911acda9e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C637560256377122822%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=OnNJalGQNpxDKPxIMjCkgFIlEpTpk3cfflV891MRVmQ%3D&reserved=0)

***Rockdale Fair Dates to Remember:***

Ownership and Tag-in dates are as follows:

* Commercial Heifers: Palpation and Body Condition Scoring: **Oct. 2, 2021**, 10:00 to noon, Milam County Auction Barn.
* Broilers: Order through RFA, pick-up **September 3**, Home Demonstration Bldg., Rockdale Fair Park, 5: 30 to 7:00 p.m. Cost per broiler: $1.74
* Lambs, Swine & Goats: **July 10, 2021**, 7:00 to 9:00 a.m., Rockdale Fair Park
* Rabbits: **September 8, 2021**, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., Home Demonstration Building, Rockdale Fair Park
* Breeding Beef Heifer entries postmarked and due **September 8, 2021**

**Milam County Validation Dates- State Fair and 2021/2022 Steers and Heifers:** Last year Covid-19 restrictions forced our hand in minimizing the number of people attending validation at one time. While that is no longer the case this year, this was a blessing in disguise because it showed us that 2 validation dates and locations works better, reduces paperwork mistakes, and cuts down on drive time for exhibitors. This year we plan to implement the same process again with a location in Thorndale and a location in Cameron.

Below is information on Spring Validation dates for Milam County 4-H & FFA State Fair Exhibitors as well as 2021-2022 Steer and Heifer Exhibitors:

 **Validation #1 THORNDALE**

* **Date:** **Monday, June 28, 2021**
* **Time:** 8:00am-11:00am
* **Location:** 4601 County Road 426. Thorndale, TX 76577
* **Species** State Fair – Swine, Sheep, and Goats. 2021/2022 Major Show Steers & Heifers.
* As we are all aware Milam County continues to receive wave after wave of rain and it is a muddy mess outside right now. The current forecast is showing that it may not let up until next Wednesday posing an issue to the original Validation date set for Monday at the Hobbs barn in Thorndale. After speaking with the validation committee the decision was made to move the Thorndale validation to **Monday, June 28, 2021.**
* If by chance this date poses an issue to your schedule please remember that the original date of Monday, June 14, 2021 at the Leifeste’s Barn in Cameron is still on the schedule. All species will be eligible to validated that day as well.
* On behalf of the Milam County Major Show Validation Committee we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as this will help us avoid trucks and trailers getting stuck and keep people and projects safe.

***Milam County 4-H Day Camps:***

* **July 7th- Cloverbuds Day Camp, 8am-12pm (K-2nd grade)**
* **July 14th- 4-H Consumer Camp, 8am-5pm** **(3-12th grade- incoming 2021-2022 year)**
* **July 15th- 4-H Food Camp, 8am-5pm (3-12th grade- incoming 2021-2022 year)**

**ALL REGISTRATIONS REQUIRE membership in 4-H! Enroll on 4-H Online. Register on the 4-H camp website here:** <https://forms.gle/9JXZNvDwMsP4dx2Z6>

**What to bring will be emailed out to each family a week before the camp starts! Make sure you sign up!**

**Camp deadline to enter without a Shirt (July 1st).**

***Bell-Milam Youth Ag Tour: July 15, 2021:***

**We are excited to offer our 4th annual Bell-Milam Youth Agribusiness Tour! The date is set for Thursday, July 15, 2021.**

**Each stop will outline a facet of agricultural production in Central Texas and feature interactive learning experiences. Transportation and meals will be provided for all participants at no cost. Participants must be a Bell or Milam County 4-H member in 6th - 12th grade. Ten applicants will be accepted from each county. Youth who register must have an interest in production agriculture.**

**4-H members can register at the following link:** <https://forms.gle/StkrLWaxBz6UZudA9>

***Recordbook Deadlines:***

* **July 6: All recordbooks due back for District Judging**
* **July 8: District Recordbook Judging**

***Milam County 4-H Awards:* The Milam County 4-H Awards (excluding Bronze, Silver, Gold, and I Dare You Awards) are now up on the website and will be due July 1st at the County Extension Office. Bronze, Silver, Gold, and I Dare You Award interviews will be held July 12th at the Extension Office. Work on those applications soon!** <https://counties.agrilife.org/mc4h/4-h-clubs/awards/>

**There are many awards that do not require a recordbook, some do but a lot do not! So apply to get an award!!! *CLOVERBUDS!!!!- Don’t forget to apply for the cloverbud award! It’s in your cloverbud recordbook!!***

***Texas 4-H Center Summer Camp:***

Are you ready for Texas 4-H Summer Camps?

Registration is on our website, [www.texas4hcenter.tamu.edu](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fu12788118.ct.sendgrid.net%2Fls%2Fclick%3Fupn%3DC-2F-2FZbVWUVOdk5HXwv0m7atDscFaC0z5kcgKbbPCHbW-2BRKK21pUTNSv5LEFliaK1ONlyp_zh3-2FILpNYLtKsHIj0lLw6F95VmaOxT4Atc-2FYakWjDQMACvBftorQ39L5r5xVTQifYGoHBr0e7udYVddMNrO8xdhLdNrZHirIS4dey3dFwJnCbwhh401q8Z4e3kqwONgHpAzKezRkO8okqci2Xx37Ah5IsAQ9I4O9IkXo9yi-2BFexEtnu5iob2XkCQc3LM9Yn88AReIl2CEDxxSPcJji0-2Fi7G2hH0u5qUptnvjJFUOxtJnL4YtW0NbLiJyogY7rfmvKZR8kfrx4iHSBwJBRvIQzNlXVfjf0i9X8tzYrkJcuFE-3D&data=04%7C01%7Cmlholcombe%40ag.tamu.edu%7C766d8dbc5d964aab2f5b08d911acda9e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C637560256377172793%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=PD%2F2u24oitP1q43hXg2Srx1XoTstaS2hA30uz2kF6zk%3D&reserved=0). Click the green register now button on the right hand side of the screen, then click on 2021 Summer Camps, and then select the camp(s) you and your campers will attend this year!

* 3rd Grade and up
* All camp enrollment based on grade in 2021-2022 school year
* 4-H membership is NOT required
* Pay deposit by June 14th or pay full amount
* Late fee $50

All adult volunteers must enroll as a 4-H volunteer, have verified background check, and complete child protection training in 4-H Connect prior to camp.

Register here: [https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fu12788118.ct.sendgrid.net%2Fls%2Fclick%3Fupn%3DApMIXhKBzKyWN0q-2FiGgfb1e4TuRsAVh6CjqcaIs-2F1RBtjX6vLE7wY3dTqOpQsMfhQaTLBno45DEOkCEB7alNPb6vcmswGqitRm-2Fpd0L-2BPfk-3DiiAe_zh3-2FILpNYLtKsHIj0lLw6F95VmaOxT4Atc-2FYakWjDQMACvBftorQ39L5r5xVTQifYGoHBr0e7udYVddMNrO8xdhLdNrZHirIS4dey3dFwJnCbwhh401q8Z4e3kqwONgHUKfBnqiPnrvg6-2Bs5G3Je11fBjIADqUWP-2FdokrSiHtnSC9TNV6JEKT1D4xu-2B0cuUcUbB8Zx66ucGPW6IjKZWHLryiCAerFXS3ym-2B52UB-2FnaQL7G8gBfZtKGpxeg-2BIKeNevmZJYgzS0sPOBoH3bSV2gULY6rTfNqvtctIUn2D63Eg-3D&data=04%7C01%7Cmlholcombe%40ag.tamu.edu%7C766d8dbc5d964aab2f5b08d911acda9e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C637560256377182787%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=MHA5YFKb%2Bb6kLv5XkJ%2FPLirZwuYk8O7d2N4gdMrx80o%3D&reserved=0) Camps are filling up fast!

* Horizons Camp: June 27-July 1 | $300/Y, $160/A
* Mission Possible Camp: June 28-30 | $175
* County Camp I: July 1-3 | $200/Y, $110/A (NOTE: THIS IS NOT DIST. CAMP WITH MILAM CO)
* County Camp II: July 5-7 | $200/Y, $110/A (NOTE: THIS IS NOT DIST. CAMP WITH MILAM CO)
* Outdoor Adventure Camp: July 7-9 | $200/Y, $110/A
* Prime Time I: July 11-14 | $250/Y, $135/A
* Prime Time II: July 14-17 | $250/Y, $135/A

***Community Service/Leadership Opportunity:*** We need volunteers for Vacation Bible School at the Cameron FUMC. VBS will be **July 19-22** from 1-5pm. We need leaders for sessions as well as group leaders (just like Ag in the Classroom). If you are interested in helping, please register here: <https://vbsmate.com/events/CameronFUMC/19949> or on the Facebook page link here: <https://www.facebook.com/CameronFUMCVBS>

Vacation Bible School open to any PreK through 5th grade students (2021-2022 year). You can register above!

***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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