



4-H TIMES



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

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"JULY JAM-PACKED WITH 4-H FUN IN THE SUN!"

Welcome to the hot summer months everyone! I hope you're all finding ways to beat the heat while also keeping busy with fun 4-H activities. July is shaping up to be a big month as we head into the new year. We'll be holding our Youth Quilting camp in July and the annual Leadership Workshop in August so stay tuned for registration details!

We have a new Facebook page please refer to end of the newsletter! Also join our Remind App Group for the latest 4-H Updates.

All the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agents here in Hidalgo County are here to help in any way with your projects, contests or information you may need, just give us a call at (956) 383-1026.

Thank you to all our parents and volunteers for helping our 4-Her's succeed!

Sincerely,

*Hidalgo County
Extension Agent Team*

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Coming Soon...

July 4
July 10-12
July 9-18

Extension office closed for holiday
Youth Quilting Camp @ Extension Office
State Games: Pistol, Rifle, Archery, and Shotgun

JULY

AUGUST

Aug 14 Leadership Workshop @ Endowment Center
Aug 27 County Council Kick-off @ 7 pm, Extension office
Aug 27 Adult Leaders Meeting @ 7 pm, Extension office
TBD Lamb & Goat Tag Orders for Major Shows
TBD Heifer UIN Order Deadlines for Major Shows



HAPPY
4th of
July





Hidalgo County 2024-2025 4-H Calendar of Events



**** Dates & Locations are subject to change****

<u>July 2024</u>		<u>August 2024</u>		<u>September 2024</u>	
07/9-15	District 12 Record Book Judging	08/14	4-H Leadership Workshop	09/07	County Food Show/Food Challenge Workshop (Mandatory for Food Challenge)
07/9-07/14	State Games: Pistol and Rifle Match	TBD	Hidalgo County 4-H Livestock Judging Workshop	TBD	Hidalgo County 4-H Foundation Hoedown
07/16 - 07/22	State Games: Archery Match	08/27	4-H County Council Kick Off Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	TBD	Swine Tag Order Deadline for Major Shows
07/18 - 07/23	State Games: Shotgun Match	TBD	Lamb & Goat Tag Order Deadline for Major Shows	09/24	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting
		TBD	Heifer UIN Order Deadline for Major Shows		
<u>October 2024</u>		<u>November 2024</u>		<u>December 2024</u>	
TBD	La Muneca Field Day & Livestock Judging Contest	TBD	Commercial Heifer Validation	12/07	District 12 Shooting Sports (Modified 600 & 3D) Archery Match
10/01-10/03	Path to the Plate Youth Expo (KKM)	TBD	Hog Validation	12/07	County Fashion Show Workshop (Mandatory for Duds to Dazzle)
10/12	One Day 4-H	11/09	County Food Show/Food Challenge & Consumer Decision Making Contest	12/07	Storyboard Workshop
10/22	County Consumer Decision Making Workshop	11/26	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	12/10	County Council Christmas
10/22	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	11/26	Hidalgo County 4-H Horticulture & Record Book Workshop	12/11	County Storyboard due
TBD	Lamb, Goat & Heifer Validation for Majors	TBD	Ag. Product ID Workshop	12/12	County Storyboard Contest
		TBD	RGVLS Gala	12/13-12/15	RGVLS Vegetable & Citrus Show (Ag. Product ID Contest)
<u>January 2025</u>		<u>February 2025</u>		<u>March 2025</u>	
01/28	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	02/01 - 02/03	S.T.A.R (www.gostar.org)	TBD	District 12 Shooting Sports - Postal League
01/28	Hidalgo County 4-H Award Applications go live	02/08 - 02/25	San Antonio Livestock Show	TBD	District 12 Photography Contest (Virtual)
01/30	Hidalgo County 4-H Photography Judging	02/25	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting	TBD	District 12 Shooting Sports - Trap Skeet & Whiz Bang
01/31-2/1	Hidalgo County 4-H Fashion Show & Public Speaking	TBD	S.T.A.R Gala	03/04	Hidalgo County Award Applications Due
01/31-2/1	Hidalgo County 4-H Duds to Dazzle, Share the Fun & Ed. Presentation			03/06-03/16	RGVLS
				03/25	County Council & Adult Leaders Meeting
				3/25-27	Hidalgo Co. 4-H Award Interviews
<u>April 2025</u>		<u>May 2025</u>		<u>June 2025</u>	
TBD	State Photography Deadline	TBD	Hidalgo County 4-H Achievement Night	06/03 - 06/04	County Record Books Judging
04/03	District 12 Food Show/Food Challenge/ Consumer Decision Making	05/08	County Record Book Workshop	6/03-6/04	Texas 4-H State Roundup
04/04	District 12 Fashion Sensation	05/27	County Council Meeting Officer Induction/Adult Leaders Meeting	6/09-6/13	District 12 4-H Leadership Lab
04/04	District 12 Roundup	05/27	County Record Book Due	6/09-6/13	District 12 4-H Election Convention
04/10	District 12 Livestock Judging				
04/22	County Council Meeting/Adult Leaders Meeting				
4/26	District 12 Shooting Sports Rifle (3P & Silhouette) Match				

***Please refer to Monthly Newsletter for details on upcoming events at: <https://hidalgo.agriife.org/4-h-youth-development/4-h-times-newsletters/>**

Hidalgo County 4-H 2024-2025 County Council Officers

Planning Meeting *fun!*

The 4-H County Council officers had a great first planning meeting! We welcome new appointed officers- Hailey McMillian, Reporter and Ben Hartzog, District Delegate! The officers planned for the Leadership Workshop, Monthly planning meetings and even made a candy salad!



COMING SOON
Stay Tuned



Tessa De la Garza
President



Diego Salas
1st Vice President



Ella Hartzog
2nd Vice President



Carolina Salas
Secretary



Megan Martinez
Treasurer



Hailey McMillian
Reporter



Logan Kotzur
Parliamentarian



Ella Ford
District Delegate



Ben Hartzog
District Delegate

TEXAS A&M
AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION

Save the Date

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

Hidalgo County 4-H County Council
2024-2025

Leadership Workshop

Stay tuned!
Registration info to follow

Make a Splash in 4-H!

4-H MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

By: Carolina Salas,
Linn-San Manuel 4-H Club
State Fashion and Interior Design
Ambassador

During the month of June after being selected as a State Fashion and Interior Design Ambassador, I had the privilege of attending the training in Lubbock. I learned many new things such as 3-D designing in fashion, how to start a business, the history behind architecture and clothing, and many more. I learned these things by attending many places with my team such as Texas Tech University and their museum, Wild Honey Hats, Silverado Apparel, and many others. Not only did I learn a lot, but I made lots of new friends from all over the state, which led me to having a great experience overall.



ONLY \$30 Youth (10 years and older) **Quilting Camp**

July 10-12, 2024
8:30-11:30 a.m.
Hidalgo County Extension Office

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HIDALGO COUNTY
CREATING VALUE

The fee includes all necessary supplies for the workshop
Book your seat at
<https://hidalgo.agrilife.org/mcv-workshops/>
Seats are limited






4-HER'S IN ACTION





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District 12 4-H INFORMATION


Don't forget to check the District 12 website for events and deadline updates!



For all District 12 4-H Contest
and registration information
go to:

<https://agrilife.org/d124h/>

TEXAS 4-H



APERTURE ACADEMY

LEARN PHOTOGRAPHY SKILLS AND TECHNIQUES

JULY 7-10
TEXAS 4-H CONFERENCE CENTER
Brownwood, TX
Grades 6-8

Join us this summer for a fun and exciting camp where youth will learn the basics of photography. This camp is geared for beginners and promises hands-on learning in an engaging camp atmosphere.

\$300 EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION ENDS APRIL 15

Register online at texas4hcenter.tamu.edu
All camera equipment and supplies provided during camp.

Individuals who require any type of accommodation in order to participate in this program are encouraged to contact the Texas 4-H Center at (325) 784-5482 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made. Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status. The Texas A&M University System, The United States Department of Agriculture and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.



SOUTH TEXAS CATTLEMEN'S ROUNDUP

**2024
Save the Dates**

Hallettsville
Tuesday, June 11 | 12pm
Hallettsville Livestock Auction

Three Rivers
Monday, June 17 | 12pm
Live Oak Auction

Alice
Tuesday, July 9 | 11am
Gulf Coast Livestock Market

Rio Grande City
Friday, July 12 | 11am
Triple G Livestock Auction

Beeville
Friday, July 19 | 10am
Beeville Livestock Auction Barn

Cuero
Friday, July 26 | 6pm
Friar Ag Center

Edinburg
Saturday, August 10 | 10am
Edinburg Livestock Auction

Benefiting Driscoll Children's Hospital

UPCOMING SPRING AND SUMMER EVENTS 4-H NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM

- 4-H WILDLIFE & FISHERIES PROJECT WORKSHOP - COLLEGE STATION - MARCH 23
- WOODLAND CLINIC - NACOGDOCHES - APRIL 18
- FORESTRY PROJECT TRAINING FOR COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS - LUFKIN - APRIL 30-MAY 2
- 4-H WILDLIFE HABITAT (WHPE) STATE CONTEST - TBD - MAY 11-12
- 4-H WILDLIFE CHALLENGE (ROUNDUP) - COLLEGE STATION - JUNE 6
- 4-H OUTDOOR CHALLENGE - RICHMOND - JUNE 15-16
- WILDLIFE CONSERVATION CAMP - JOHNSON CITY - JULY 15-20

4-H NATURAL RESOURCES WEBPAGES:
[HTTPS://TEXAS4-H.TAMU.EDU/PROJECT-CATEGORY/NATURAL/](https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/project-category/natural/)

4-H NATURAL RESOURCES FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM:
- [FACEBOOK.COM/TX4HNATURALRESOURCES](https://facebook.com/texas4hnaturalresources)
- [INSTAGRAM.COM/TX4HNATRES](https://instagram.com/texas4hnatres)

Contact Larry Hysmith at lhysmith@tamu.edu with questions

Applications for the 2024-2025 Texas 4-H STEM Ambassadors are now open and will close at midnight on July 31, 2024. A promotional video overview of the team can be viewed here: :
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J_Qpolx2HI4



Mission

As STEM Ambassadors, our mission is to educate communities about science, technology, engineering, and math opportunities; both inside and outside of 4-H, while learning essential skills in STEM, communication, and teamwork.

Application Link: <https://texas4-hyouthdevelopment.submittable.com/submit>

Marine Biology Camp

Where: Seaworld- San Antonio
Price: \$750
When: July 28- Aug. 1

Texas 4-H Center is excited to announce that we are partnering with SeaWorld- San Antonio this summer. We will be having a 5-day 4-night camp on the SeaWorld Campus. We invite campers to explore different perspectives and their own personal limitations through unique experiences as they broaden their knowledge of ecology. We strive to inspire a passion and joy for the natural world through experiential learning, human and animal interactions, and self-discovery. Ultimately, we hope that campers will create connections that foster personal growth, stewardship, and an awareness of how their actions can play a part in protecting the world's oceans. This is an awesome opportunity to get your feet wet with marine biology!

Contact Shelly Willis at the Texas 4-H Center
 (325) 784-5482

ARCHERY Summer Shoot Out

FORT BEND COUNTY 4-H

BELT BUCKLE SHOOT

JULY 19-20 2024

ROSENBERG, TX
 Fort Bend County Fairgrounds
New Location: Building C
 14310 Highway 36 South
 Rosenberg, TX 77471

REGISTRATION
REGISTRATION CLOSURES 7/11/24, 11:59PM

Scan QR Code or visit
<https://forms.gle/z2jYweyrE63dpxJa9>

DIVISIONS
 Junior (3rd-5th Grade)
 Intermediate (6th-8th)
 Senior (9th-12th)
 Adult

BOW CLASSES
 Recurve
 Barebow
 Compound Aided
 Compound Unaided/NASP/Genesis

Contact Us: Fort Bend County Agrilife Extension Office, 281-342-3034
 Proceeds benefit the Fort Bend County 4-H Scholarship Program

TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

JUNE-JULY, 2024 - THREE SHORT COURSE LOCATIONS

**EMBRACING OUR PAST.
 ENGAGING OUR PRESENT.
 DEFINING OUR FUTURE.**

Today, the average American is at least three generations removed from the farm. It is essential that the upcoming generation be able to bridge the gap between consumer and farmers.

Through collegiate level training combined with hands-on experience, Ambassadors will be equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to serve as stewards of the livestock industry.

DEVELOPING THE NEXT GENERATION OF INDUSTRY LEADERS

- Obtain opportunities to serve in advocacy roles for animal agriculture, 4-H, and junior livestock programs
- Experience in the university setting through intensive, science-based instruction and hands-on-learning
- Develop a heightened awareness of career opportunities in animal agriculture and advocacy

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TYLA
 TEXAS YOUTH LIVESTOCK & AGRICULTURE

Beyond Ready

Building a ready generation in a world of change.

National 4-H Week

October 6-13, 2024



THANK YOU

**To all our 4-H parents and
volunteers for your time and
hardwork helping our 4-Her's!**



Call for photos



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