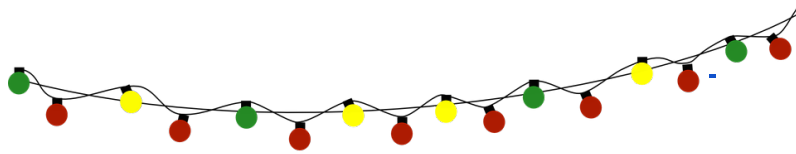




## Lavaca County 4-H Update

November 18, 2022

always keep an eye on <https://lavaca.agrilife.org/> and our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/LavacaCounty4H>.



### Festival Of Lights Santa Bags

Council plans to stuff goody bags for the Festival of Lights Santa Claus on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 a.m. here at the office. However –no donations have been received as of this morning. Please tentatively plan to help on Monday morning but call the office or check the council band app before you come. If we get items, we will form an assembly line in the conference room and have tables and chairs to work off of. We hope to be finished by noon and will need some help transporting the bags over to the courthouse.

If you would like to donate items for the bags, we will stuff 500 bags with candy and “stocking stuffer” type items. Any amount of any item is appreciated as the bags do not have to all be the same. Please avoid bringing anything with nuts. Also keep in mind that many of the bags go to children under the age of three. Donated items need to be at our office by Monday morning.

## Good Luck to the Shiner Junior Livestock Show Exhibitors!

Shiner Junior Livestock Show –Go support those showing in Shiner!

Saturday, November 19 –Rules may be found on the Shiner Junior Livestock Show Facebook Page.

Saturday, November 19th:

6:00 – 6:20 am Weigh in Cattle  
6:20 – 7:00 am Weigh in Swine  
7:00 – 7:20 am Weigh in Lambs  
7:20 – 7:40 am Weigh in Goats  
7:40 – 8:00 am Weigh in Rabbits  
8:30 am Check in/Sift Broilers  
9 am Livestock Show

Order of Show:

Broilers, Cattle, Swine, Lambs, Goats, Rabbits  
TBD Mandatory Meeting Immediately following  
Rabbit

Judging - All exhibitors must attend

5:00 pm Buyer’s Social and Meal (Sale Sheets available)

7:00 pm Sale Sheets Taken Up

7:30 pm Presentation of Exhibitors/Exhibits and Recognition of Bidders



## Major Show Entries

Houston, San Antonio, Austin, San Angelo and Texas Elite Showcase entries are due in the Extension Office by Monday, November 21. Entry forms and rules can be found on each show's website.

<https://www.texaseliteshowcase.com/enter>

<https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/livestock1/entries-premiumbook>

<https://rodeoaustin.com/youth-ag-programs/competitions/livestock-show/>

<https://www.sarodeo.com/p/competitive-events/livestock-show>

<https://www.rodeohouston.com/Get-Involved/Exhibitors-Participants/Livestock-Show>

### Hallettsville Junior Livestock Show

Entries for the Hallettsville Junior Livestock Show are due by December 1. Entries include entry cards, project record forms, and fees (\$10 per card).

### Moulton Junior Livestock Show

Sunday, January 15 – Significant changes have been made to the schedule. Please see the rules for schedule details.

## Attention All Livestock Exhibitors

It is the responsibility of each 4-Her to read, understand, and follow the rules of each activity they participate in. This especially holds true for local and major livestock shows, as consequences for breaking the rules can be quite significant. Please contact the Extension Office if questions should arise.

### *Medications:*

4-H livestock exhibitors should be aware of the withdrawal times on medications and medicated feeds being given to show animals. Technically withdrawal time should be calculated from the time the animal arrives at the show. Please contact your veterinarian or feed dealer if there are any questions. Animals with illegal chemicals found in their system will be disqualified.

### *Scales:*

Lavaca County 4-H has two scales for weighing swine, lambs and goats that can be checked out. Please call the Extension Office to book a scale. Please remember when you transport the scale, it must be locked down. This keeps the cables from breaking. Also make sure you clean the scale before returning it to the 4-H building. **PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT BRING ANIMALS INTO THE 4-H BUILDING.**

### *Clippers:*

Lavaca County 4-H has animal clippers that can be checked out. Please call the Extension Office to book them.

**Clippers are checked out without blades. It is each families responsibility to have blades for their projects.**

Below is a list of suggested blades to purchase for use on the 4-H clippers

#### **Steers (slick shear):**

Oster Clipmaster-83/84AU

#### **Goats:**

Lister Cover Cote blades

#### **Lambs:**

Lister 2241 A2S Surgical or Fine

#### **Swine:**

Andis #10 blade to be used with guards



Lacy, Emma, and their mom Emily Henderson from Moulton 4-H had a great time at SPARK at the Texas 4-H Center last weekend. Check out our 4-H Facebook Page to see a few more of their pictures.

**Record Book Corner: Section III - Community Service** - "I pledge my hands to larger service" -how are you serving others? If you are a junior or an intermediate, you get 15 entries in this section. Seniors have 25. Only those things that you do as a part of 4-H community service belongs here. Involvement in scouts, FFA, other school, youth organizations, and church belong in section VI. If you are in third through fifth grade you can include this year and two previous years. Sixth grade and up may include this year and three previous years. Always list the current year first and go backward. Your current year (unless you have extenuating circumstances like COVID) should have more than the previous as you are trying to show how you have grown and increased involvement.

**Pro Tip:** Make a note of how many people you are helping and how. For example, if you were one of the members who helped make goody bags for Festival of Lights your entry might look like this:

Year	Role	Activity	Importance or Impact
2021-22	M	Worked as a team member to Make Goody Bags for Santa Claus at Hallettsville Festival Of Lights.	Spent 1 ½ hours making 600 bags from donations provided by the community to the city of Hallettsville.

**What does Role mean?**

**Y** -you did it on your own. For example cleaning out your closet and donating your clothing.

**M**-You were part of a group. All of the clubs complete community service, some at every meeting. Remember all of those things that you do. Have you brought a donation to a meeting, helped decorate a sign or made cards, etc.???

**P** - As you get older in 4-H you want to look for opportunities to take Primary Leadership in Community Service. What ideas have you come up with and gotten others to do with you?

# Coastal Bend Classic

<https://d114-h.tamu.edu/events-and-contests/coastal-bend-classic/>

**All Texas 4-H and FFA members are invited to participate in the 11th Annual Coastal Bend Classic.**

**Date:** December 3, 2022

**Location:** San Patricio County Fairgrounds, Sinton, TX

**Entry/Registration Deadline:** Regular Registration – October 1 – November 11. Late Registration – November 12 – Day of event.

## Photography

### County Contest

Our county contest uses the categories and rules from the State Photography contest. For county you may enter one picture per category. On the county level, you will submit an 8x10 print with your name, grade, and category noted on the back. Pictures that place first advance, so it is important that you remember which pictures you submit in which category as you will enter District or State (depending on your age level) digitally. The County deadline has not been set, as we are waiting on the District deadline. Plan for the pictures to be due close to the beginning of February.

### **NATURAL RESOURCES PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

**We are excited to announce a brand new state-level photography contest open to junior, intermediate, and senior members that will focus solely on the Natural Resource project areas.** Here are a few key points:

- Open contest (no qualifying required) to all counties
- Open to juniors, intermediate, and senior age divisions
- 10 Natural Resource themed categories
- Same scoring matrix and general rules as the state contest
- **Entry timeline is December 1-15**

**County Photography Workshop – Virtual – December 27 at 10:00 a.m. – to sign up call the office and give your Email no later than December 26. A link to join the online session will be sent to the email that you provide. You will be able to join from a computer, tablet, or smartphone.**

### **STATE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST**

Some of the rules have been revised (noted in the PDF), so please make sure your contestants are aware of those changes. The state 4-H photography contest is a senior-only qualifying contest where photos qualify directly from COUNTY to STATE.

Rules and Guidelines for all three state levels contests as well as more information about the photography project can be found at

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/photography-video/>

### **Reimbursement for Select Activities**

The policy and reimbursement form are now available on the county website. Go to

<http://counties.agrilife.org/lavaca/files/2022/01/Lavaca-County-4-H-Reimbursement-Policy-and-Forms.pdf> to access the policy and forms.

*Remember, also, to read the weekly e-mails you receive from Texas 4-H as they often have opportunities that do not get mentioned in this update.* This update is sent via email to all actively enrolled members and leaders. It is also posted on the county website. If you know of someone who is not receiving the updates, please have them check their Spam folders and their enrollment. Thanks!

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