

Lavaca County 4-H News May 5, 2023

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County Council

Monday, May 8 @ Senior Citizens Center in Hallettsville (at the end of our parking lot)

5:15 p.m.

Officer Elections Please note the new time! Community Service – please bring new socks (mens and womens) and puff paint to paint no-slip socks for our nursing homes in the area.

The record book training recording can be found with this unlisted YouTube link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZ6ytD36PKo</u>

Recordbooks, all awards, and county scholarship applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13 to the Extension Office. Please note this is also likely going to be the date for the Driscoll Auction and the office will be closed during that time. Interviews will be held on June 22nd. The awards/scholarship application has been revised this year –so please make sure you are using the new form. The same form is being used for all awards and the county scholarship. You only have to submit your form one time! Access it here: https://lavaca.agrilife.org/4-h/4-h-scholarship-and-awards-information/

District 11 Leadership Lab

Leadership Lab is a great opportunity to get to know other senior members from across the District and learn team building and leadership skills.

Adult Chaperones are needed, as well. Natalie will be attending and can provide transportation to lab but will be unable to transport members home at the end.

If you plan to attend, please let Natalie know. The deadline is quickly approaching!

Date: June 14 – 16, 2023 Location: – Ledbetter, TX Entry/Registration: April 3 – May 19, 2023

Late Registration: May 20 – 26, 2023, for an additional \$25

Registration Fee: Youth – \$225.00; Adult Leaders and County Extension Agents – \$200.00

D11 Leadership Lab Event Information D11 Lab Agenda Camp Kubena Waiver

Texas 4-H Round-Up Registration Opened May 1!

https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/

Check out the opportunities for senior level members in the invitational contests and educational workshops. If you plan to attend, please let Natalie know. We would like to coordinate housing for the county.

Junior Leadership Lab

Date: July 11, 2023 Location: Texana Coummunity Education Center – Lake Texana, Edna, TX Entry/Registration: May 15 – June 23, 2023 Late Registration (for an additional \$25): June 24 – 30, 2023

Entry Fee:

\$40 for ALL youth participants (includes lunch, snacks, t-shirt, programming supplies, facility rental & insurance)

\$20 for adults, parents, agents and District Council officers wanting a Jr. Lab t-shirt (must register via 4-H Online)

\$5 for adults, parents, agents, and District Council Officers NOT ordering a shirt (register via 4-H Online) Go to <u>https://d114-h.tamu.edu/events-and-contests/junior-leader-lab/</u> for more information.

Driscoll Auction Tuesday, June 13 (tentative) Hallettsville Livestock Commission

Lavaca County 4-H will once again be involved in conducting a benefit auction for Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi. This auction, as in the past, will take place at the Hallettsville Livestock Commission Company on Tuesday, June 13th. This is an opportunity for 4-Hers to join with area ranchers and agribusinesses to support the hospital. The role of Lavaca County 4-Hers will be to donate items to be sold at the auction and/or help on the day of the sale.

In the past, items have included baked goods, arts and crafts, plants, animal feed, various livestock health products, etc. **Items may be delivered directly to the auction barn between 10:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.** Please do not bring perishable items to the office ahead of time. Other items may be dropped off, but please know that the more that is left at the office ahead of time, the more help we will need to move it that day. Once you know what you are going to be donating, please call the office and let us know so we can ensure that we have plenty of items. The auction will take place after the sale of the cows at approximately 12:00 noon. We need everyone's participation to ensure that the auction is a success.

Donation Suggestions - 4-H members are encouraged to donate items that relate to their projects. This is a great way to get project related community service which is often hard to achieve.

Hunter Education Class to be held in Hallettsville June 3rd

A hunter education class will be held on June 3rd at St. James Episcopal Church in Hallettsville beginning at 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The class is open to anyone age 9 and over. Cost of the class is \$20.00. A hotdog lunch will be provided. Students ages 9-17 who complete a hunter education class are eligible to participate in youth hunts sponsored by Texas Youth Hunting Program www.tyhp.org. Students must register online at tpwdelementIms.com. For more information call Shirley Odell at 361-782-8730 or Harry Odell 361-782-1352.

Mark Your Calendars

August 1 – 4-H Banquet – Hallettsville Youth Center

October 8 – 4-H BBQ – all hands on deck! Please keep this open to work and to sell tickets. If other organizations are planning meals, please encourage them to pick another date.

Upcoming Validations

<u>June 17 8:00am – 10:00am at the Hallettsville ISD Ag Pavillion</u> Major show steer and heifers Hallettsville Jr. Livestock Show steers and Halter heifers (other opportunities later in the year for HJLS halter heifers) Shiner Jr. Livestock Show steers

<u>June 17 8:00am – 10:00am Hallettsville Livestock Commission Company</u> Hallettsville Jr. Livestock Show Commercial Heifer validation

District Horse Show

Information for the 2022 – 2023 District 11 4-H Horse Show is now available on the event website: <u>https://d114-h.tamu.edu/events-and-contests/horse-show/</u>. The event will be held Wednesday & Thursday, May 31 & June 1, 2023, in Edna, TX. Registration will be open on 4-H Online from April 20 – May 8, 2023. Late registration will be May 9 – 15, 2023.

Broiler and Turkey Orders

State Fair Broiler orders due here May 19, 2023 Major Show Turkey orders due here July 28, 2023 The order forms were in the last newsletter and available here at the office.

Attention Photographers

You can enter the Texas 4-H Dog Show Photography Contest See pages 29-31 of the Dog Show rules at <u>https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/dog_show_rules_23.pdf</u> The deadline to upload photos is May 12th. Coastal Bend Sports Fishing Day

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Information for the 2022 – 2023 Coastal Bend 4-H Sportfishing Day is now available on the event website: <u>https://d114-h.tamu.edu/coastal-bend-4-h-sportfishing-day/</u>.

The event will be held Tuesday, July 18, 2023, in Rockport, TX. The event is open to D11 4-H youth in grades 3 through 7 as of September 1, 2022.

Registration will be open on 4-H Online from May 1 - 31, 2023. There is no late registration.

NOTE: Registration is limited to the first 35 youth.

Are you doing your part to be an Active Member?

"I pledge my head to clearer thinking" . . . Did you complete projects with six new learning experiences where you learned something new and applied it?

"I pledge my heart to greater loyalty" How have you represented 4-H? What have you done as a citizen and how have you helped your club and county 4-H? Are you attending and participating in meetings? Are you a leader in your club? county? "I pledge my hands to larger service" ... How have you helped others outside of 4-H? What are you doing to take the lead? "I pledge my health to better living" ... Do you make smart choices and take care of yourself and serve as a role model for others? How have you avoided peer pressure?

Are you working on your 4-H Record Book?

The answers to the questions above tell your story that belongs in your book –unique to you. Go make it happen!

Club Charters

Club managers received an email mid-April regarding the chartering process for this next year. All chartering paperwork is due to the office by May 31st. Please note that this is earlier than last year. All clubs are required to charter annually. The chartering paperwork includes submitting a financial review, a financial statement, and by-laws. This deadline is necessary for us to be able to get the charters submitted prior to the state deadline.

There are LOTS of opportunities that do not get included in this newsletter. Make sure you are also reading the weekly email from Texas 4-H and following Texas 4-H on social media so you do not miss out. There is just more than we can possibly keep up with and share. If you participate in something, please send us a picture or two and let us know what you learned and what you did so we can spotlight you in this newsletter or on our Facebook page!

Fun at the Texas 4-H Center! Register at https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu Early Bird Registration is Open at the Texas 4-H Center

County Camp – Grades 3-9 I – June 25-29 II – July 9-13 Traditional camp experiences ideal for total family groups.

Horizons -July 2-6– Grades 4-8 Sign up for a specific project: Hunting, Fashion, Shooting Other projects to be added soon

Prime Time I – July 16-19 – Grades 3-5 II – July 19-22 – Grades 6-9 Traditional camp experiences with less age differences than county camp.

> High Adventure – age 10-15 June 18-20 Outdoor /High Energy

Reimbursement for Select Activities

The reimbursement policy was approved by the council and remains the same for 2023. Members may request reimbursement for a number of activities including participation at the Texas 4-H Center and entry fees for 4-H contests. Refer to the policy for details. 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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