

# MEDINA COUNTY 4-H



## NEWSLETTER

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### COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICER APPLICATIONS

Our County Council Officer Applications are available and must be turned in no later than April 5, 2024 by 5:00pm, elections will take place April 29th. County Council members serve as ambassadors for our county.

Members represent Medina County 4-H at a county, district and at times statewide level. Anyone who has served as a Club President, Vice President or Club Delegate for one year is eligible to run for County Council.

The applications can be picked up at the office or found online at

<https://medina.agrilife.org/4-h/4h-club-resources/>

### UPCOMING COUNTY EVENTS

MAR-APR - Canned Food Drive (see 4-H News page)  
MAR 4 - Club Manager Meeting  
MAR 9 - Medina County 4-H Smallbore Rifle Contest  
MAR 12 - Wool and Mohair Judging Kick-Off Meeting  
MAR 14 - Medina County Duds to Dazzle Contest  
MAR 28 - Sausage Plate Dinner Final Count  
MAR 29 - County Holiday Office Closed  
APR 1 - Steer & Heifer Validation tag orders due  
APR 1 - Sheep & Goat (for State Fair of TX) Validation tag orders due  
APR 2 - Club Manager Meeting  
**APR 5 - County Council Officer Applications Due**  
APR 8 - Office Closed  
APR 14 - Sausage Dinner Fundraiser  
**APR 26 - Medina County Scholarship Deadline**  
APR 29 - County Council Meeting - Officer Elections

**\*Like us on Facebook to get news about 4-H events and contests throughout the year!**

### UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

MAR 1 - Texas Farm Bureau Scholarships deadline  
MAR 1-19th - D10 4-H Spring Roundup registration  
MAR 9 - D10 Photography Workshop  
MAR 14 - Texas 4-H Congress Deadline  
MAR 28 - Texas 4-H Council - At Large Delegate Application deadline  
MAR 31 - Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza Deadline  
APR 1 - Healthy Tx Youth Ambassador Application deadline  
APR 15 - CORE Academy Application Deadline  
APR 15 - Tx 4-H Livestock/Equine/ Poultry Ambassador application deadline



**\*Go to District 10 4-H website for District events**

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: [medina.agrilife.org](https://medina.agrilife.org)**

Our website has been updated and will have new information throughout the year for our 4-H projects! Our project pages are updated with project info, forms and upcoming dates.





# LIVESTOCK PROJECT NEWS



## D10 SPRING ROUNDUP

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MAR 1-19 - D10 Spring Roundup registration  
MAR 20-22 - D10 Spring Roundup late registration  
APR 10 - D10 Meat Judging Contest (San Angelo)  
APR 15 - D10 Livestock Judging Contest  
APR 16 - D10 Wool & Mohair Judging Contest

## HORSE PROJECT

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Medina County 4-H Horse & Riding Club  
Medina County 4-H Horse Judges  
Contact Jenn Zerr at 210-825-4433 or  
z.sranich@yahoo.com

- MAR 4 - D10 4-H Horse Judging Contest @ HLSR
- MAR 23 - Texas A&M Horse Judging Clinic

## UPCOMING DATES

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MAR 7-17 - Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show & Rodeo  
MAR 8-23 - Rodeo Austin  
**APR 1 - Steer & Heifer Validation tag orders due**  
- \$27 each  
**APR 1 - Sheep & Goat Validation tag orders due**  
- \$17 each  
APR 15 - Tx 4-H Livestock/Equine/Poultry Ambassador  
deadline

- Info for members interested in becoming an ambassador  
can be found at the TYLA website  
<https://texasyouthlivestock.com/>

## OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

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|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| • Livestock Judging     | • Educational Presentations        |
| • Horse Judging         | • Public Speaking                  |
| • Horse Show            | • Skillathons                      |
| • Meat Judging          | ◦ Beef, Sheep, Swine,<br>Livestock |
| • Wool & Mohair Judging | • Quizbowls                        |
|                         | ◦ Horse, Livestock                 |

## ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

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**IMPORTANT:** If you are entered in a major stock show, make sure you meet all the Animal Health Requirements for that species, prior to the show. Be sure to visit these websites to obtain the Animal Health Requirements for your specific show:

Houston Stock Show and Rodeo: <http://www.rodeohouston.com/>

Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo (Austin): <http://www.rodeoaustin.com/>

## LIVESTOCK PROJECT RECORD FORMS & THANK YOU LETTERS

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Now that MCJLS is over, it is time to write "Thank You" letters to ALL of your buyers. In addition, be sure to complete the 4-H Livestock Project Record Form. Your club manager will need to receive your record form and Thank You notes before your auction check can be released to you. Good Luck to all that will be competing in the major livestock shows!!

It's time to start finishing up your project record forms...these get confused with the Texas 4-H Recordbook, but are very different. The Project Record Form is filled out by 4-H livestock exhibitors in regards to their livestock project. The Project Record Form teaches the skill of record keeping, along with showing progress, growth and accomplishments in your livestock project. The record form needs to be given to your club manager along with your thank you notes to buyers as soon as possible after the Medina County Jr Livestock Show. The 4-H Livestock Project Record Form is located on the Medina County Extension website: <https://medina.agrilife.org/4-h/livestock-projects/>



# NATURAL RESOURCES PROJECT NEWS



## PROJECTS & TEAMS

- Shooting Sports - Smallbore Rifle, Shotgun, & Archery
- Western Heritage
- Outdoor Education and Living Skills
- Range Science & Plant ID
- Entomology

CHECK OUT: [medina.agrilife.org/4-H](http://medina.agrilife.org/4-H) for more info on our natural resources projects and a link to trainings and contests available throughout the year.

## UPCOMING DATES

MAR 1-19 - D10 Spring Roundup registration

MAR 2 - Glen Rose Shooting Sports 3D Archery

**MAR 9 - Medina County 4-H Smallbore Rifle Contest**

MAR 31 - Tx 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza deadline

APR 16 - D10 Range/ Pasture ID Contest

APR 20 - D10 Smallbore Rifle Contest (Floresville)

**\*\*Contact shooting sports coaches for practice dates\*\***



## PHOTOGRAPHY

## PROJECT NEWS



## UPCOMING DATES

MAR 1-APR 30 - Medina County 4-H Spring Photography Contest

MAR 9 - D10 Photography Workshop

APR 1-15 - State Photography Contest



**TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION**

**Oh Snap! DISTRICT 10 IS HAVING A PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**

**COME LEARN FROM:**

District 10 Photography Ambassadors  
And from Professional Photographers

**MARCH 9 | 9:00-2:00 AT BAMBERGER RANCH**

Lunch will be provided!

**All cameras are welcome!**

**Register through 4-H Online - Limit 60 4-H Students**

**\$10 Registration Fee**

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.



**Medina County 4-H Spring Photography Contest**

Photos must be taken from Mar. 1st - Apr. 30th Limit: 1 photo per participant

**2 Age Divisions:**

- Jr (K-5th grade)
- Sr (6-12th grade)

Winner: Each division winner will receive a prize & photo posted on social media :)

Submit photos to the Google Form QR Code by April 30th




**Medina County 4-H Winter Photography Contest Winners!!**

**Senior:** **Katia Lopez**



**Junior:** **Lacey Steubing**





# FCH PROJECT NEWS



Food and Consumer Health projects teach youth about the many components of healthy living, consumer choices, and life skills. FCH covers a variety of different projects such as Food & Nutrition, Consumer Education, Fashion & Interior Design and Health and Personal Safety.

## UPCOMING DATES

MAR 14 - Medina County Duds to Dazzle Contest

MAR 16 - Jim Wells County 4-H Ag Product ID Contest

APR 1 - Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Application Due

- Info for members interested in becoming an ambassador can be found at: <https://healthytexas.tamu.edu/resources/youth-ambassadors/>
- \$7,500 in prize money, limited to first 75 teams

### SPRING ROUNDUP:

MAR 1-19 - D10 Spring Roundup registration

APR 16 - Consumer Decision Making

APR 17 - Share the Fun - Talent Showcase

APR 18 - Duds 2 Dazzle, Fashion Show & Natural Fibers

APR 26 - 4-H Storyboard



### Project Interest Form

If you are a 4-H member interested in joining a team or project fill out the form and we can provide you with contact information, practice dates, etc.



## OPPORTUNITIES

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| • Food Show                 | • Duds to Dazzle                            |
| • Food Challenge            | • Fashion Show                              |
| • FCH Quizbowl              | • Fashion Storyboard                        |
| • AG Product ID             | • Natural Fiber Contest                     |
| • Consumer Decision Making  | • Youth Showcase (county)                   |
| • Educational Presentations | ◦ Baking, canning, sewing, photography, art |

## 4-H Camps

### Lone Star Splash Camp - April 26-28

- Hands-on and interactive water activities, ex. water fair, kayaking, fishing, water model building, 6-8th grade

### Horizons Camp - June 30-July 4

- Provides tracts for Robotics, Food Challenge, Fishing, Rec Sports, Floral Design, Painting, Pottery & more!

### Prime Time I - July 7-July 10

- Provides traditional camping programs, 3rd-5th grade

### Aperture Camp - July 7-July 10

- Learn photography skills & techniques, 6-8th grade

### County Camp I - July 14-July 18

- Provides traditional camping programs

### Prime Time II - July 21-July 24

- Provides traditional camping programs ex. kayaking, swimming, crafts, rock climbing, etc. 6-8th grade

### County Camp II - August 4-August 8

- Provides traditional camping programs
- Each County Camp provides different activities

For more information go to the Texas 4-H Center website: <https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/>





## 4-H NEWS



### Scholarships

Scholarships that are open to 4-H members are being uploaded on the website throughout the year, be sure to check them out and mark those deadlines on your calendars!

Info can be found on our Scholarship page: <https://medina.agrilife.org/4-h/scholarships/>

**Medina County Council Scholarship: Deadline April 26, 2024**

AgTrust Farm Credit Scholarship Program: Deadline March 15, 2024

2024 Women in Agriculture Scholarship: Opens February 1, 2024

### D10 Spring Roundup

Members participating in District 10 Spring Roundup can fill out our reimbursement form and get reimbursed their registration fees. The reimbursement form can be found at this link: <https://medina.agrilife.org/4-h/4h-club-resources/>

### District 10 Leadership Lab - Brownwood, Tx

- Registration: May 1-28, 2024, Late registration: May 29-31, 2024
- Date: June 26-28, 2024
- County Council can get reimbursed up to 1/2 of the registration fee
- We recommend the members of our county council to attend Leadership Lab every year however this camp is open to any 4-H member and is a great opportunity for those interested in becoming a District or Texas 4-H Council officer in the future.
- Additional Camps can be found at <https://texas4hcenter.tamu.edu/services/youth-camps-and-retreats/>



## CANNED FOOD DRIVE

MARCH 1- 2ND WEEK OF APRIL

- Items can be taken to monthly club meetings or dropped off at the extension office.
- Please only donate usable and non-perishable items.

Whichever club collects the most canned food gets a pizza or ice cream party for their May 4-H Meeting!



**JUNE 17-21 2024**

**EXPLORE**  
Stephenville, & San Angelo Areas

**Mission**  
PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE CAREER AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN A DIVERSE GLOBAL ECONOMY AS WELL AS LEARN ABOUT POST-SECONDARY DEGREE INSTITUTIONS ACROSS TEXAS

**CORE**  
Career Opportunities Reflecting Excellence  
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

One of the goals of the CORE Academy is to bring awareness to an assortment of possible careers. These careers do not focus on any one discipline. Career tours can be anything from hospitality, tourism, manufacturing, STEM, criminal justice, culinary arts, agriculture & natural resources, to marketing and promotions. The objective is to expose the youth to careers and businesses that they may have never considered.

**\$250**  
with Application

Check and Credit Card Accepted

**April 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Registration DEADLINE

**GOALS**

- 5 Day exploration program
- Experience higher education and career choices
- Meet with industry and business professionals to expose youth to variety of career paths.

**CLICK HERE** **Register NOW**

Participants that are not selected for the 2024 CORE Academy will be refunded their \$250.

## CLUB MANAGERS

4-H Club	Manager (s)	Phone #
Castroville	Cindy Guzman Krista Binford Amber Haby	210-273-8055 210-364-5568 210-316-3867
Devine	Carly Parson Jeanine Mello Madeline Steubing	210-413-3885 210-219-2507 830-426-0160
D'Hanis	Laurie Henefey	830-426-6260
Hondo Intermediate (3rd-5th)	Sarah Reus	979-220-8414
Hondo Jr High (6th-8th)	Nicole Steubing Sandy Steubing	830-423-4589 830-931-5327
Hondo Sr High (9th-12th)	Vicky Steubing Laurie Lentz	210-275-3973 210-213-2088
LaCoste	Laura Kohlleppel Tonyha Johnson Kari Menchaca	210-288-5645 210-837-5616 210-508-3401
Rio Medina	Michael Zinsmeyer Rikki Zinsmeyer	830-931-5390 830-931-3368

### Club Manager Report Form

The QR code takes you to the link to the Google Form for the Monthly Club Manager Report Form. You can submit via the Google Form or the paper fomr on our website. This form is for Club Managers ONLY.



### Next 4-H Meeting Dates

Mark your calendars...

Castroville - Monday, Apr 8 @7:00pm  
Castroville American Legion  
Devine - Tuesday, Apr 9 @6:00pm  
Devine Intermediate Cafeteria  
D'Hanis - Wednesday, Apr 3 @7:30pm  
D'Hanis Community Center  
Hondo - Sunday, Apr 7 @5:00pm  
St Paul Lutheran Church  
LaCoste - Monday, Apr 15 @6:30pm  
LaCoste Elementary Cafeteria  
Rio Medina - Sunday, Apr 14 @5:00pm  
Metal Building to the west of  
Mumme's Rio Medina Store

### Facebook:

Remind Code:  
medina4h



### HOW TO CONTACT US

We welcome any calls or emails and will respond in a timely manner.

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# March 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Hondo 4-H Clubs Meeting	4 Club Manager Meeting	5 Devine 4-H Club Meeting	6 D'Hanis 4-H Club Meeting	7	8	9 County Smallbore Rifle Contest
10 Rio Medina 4-H Club Meeting	11 Castroville 4-H Club Meeting	12	13	14 Duds to Dazzle Contest	15	16
17	18 LaCoste 4-H Club Meeting	19	20	21	22	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29 County Holiday Office Closed	30

## Upcoming news... *April*

April 1st - Steer/Heifer Validation Tag Orders Due

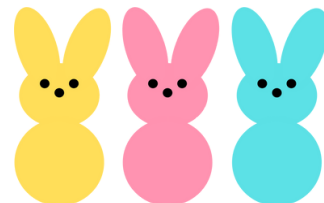
April 1st - Lamb/Goat (for State Fair of TX) Validation Tag Orders Due

April 5th - County Council Applications Due

April 14th - Sausage Plate Dinner

April 15-20th - D10 Spring Roundup

April 29th - County Council Meeting (Officer Elections)



# April 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> Steer/Heifer Tag Orders Due  State Fair of TX Lamb/Goat Tag Orders Due	<b>2</b> Club Manager Meeting	<b>3</b> D'Hanis 4-H Club Meeting	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> County Council Officer Applications Due	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> Hondo 4-H Clubs Meeting	<b>8</b> Office Closed  Castroville 4-H Club Meeting	<b>9</b> Devine 4-H Club Meeting	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Sausage Plate Dinner Rio Medina 4-H Club Meeting	<b>15</b> LaCoste 4-H Club Meeting	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> County Council Scholarship Due	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> County Council Meeting - Officer Elections	<b>30</b>				

Upcoming news...

# May

May 6 - Club Manager Meeting (tentatively)  
May 27 - County Holiday

