



# San Patricio County

## 4-H News

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### January 1

Extension Office Closed

#### January 6

Horse Show Clinic

#### January 13

A&H Show Queen's Contest

#### January 15

Extension Office Closed

Texas Farm Credit  
Scholarship Deadline

#### January 18

4-H Council Meeting

Pen of 2 Heifer Check-In

#### January 20

Pen of 2 Heifer Show

#### January 21

A&H Horse Show

#### January 22 - 27

A&H Show

#### January 24

Extra Special Show

#### January 30

San Patricio County 4-H  
Photography Contest  
Deadline

### January 2024



San Patricio County Extension Office will be closed  
January 1, & January 15, 2024



**IMPORTANT  
NOTICE**

#### 4-H Club Meeting Attendance

**ATTENDANCE**

All 4-H members that will be participating in the 2025 A&H Show in any division, including Homemaking, must attend 60% of club meetings. Attendance for the 2025 show starts January 2024.

#### 2024 A&H Show RV Information



Information for A&H Show RV Trailer spaces was mailed to all those who had a space in 2023 in mid December. Check your mail. Starting **January 8, 2024** at 8:30am, remaining available spaces will be available on a 1st come 1st serve bases.

Contact Alice Luedke at 361-215-7665 to reserve your spot on **January 8**.

#### LIVESTOCK INFORMATION

**Reminder!** All Beef, Goat, Lamb & Swine Exhibitors, validation has passed, if you plan on taking your animal out of the County for any reason other than a show, you must notify the Extension Office of departure time and arrival. Please call the Extension Office at 361-587-3400 if it's during office hours, after office hours email [sanpatri@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:sanpatri@ag.tamu.edu)

#### Major Show Information

##### **Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo**

January 12 - February 3, 2024

Fort Worth, Texas  
[www.fwssr.com](http://www.fwssr.com)

##### **Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show**

March 7 - 17, 2024

Mercedes, Texas  
[www.rgvls.com](http://www.rgvls.com)

##### **San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo**

February 8 - 25, 2024

San Antonio, Texas  
[www.sarodeo.com](http://www.sarodeo.com)

##### **State Fair of Texas**

Sept 27 - Oct 20, 2024

Dallas, Texas [www.bigtex.com](http://www.bigtex.com)

##### **Heart O' Texas**

October 3-13, 2024

Waco, Texas [www.hotfair.com](http://www.hotfair.com)

##### **San Angelo Stock Show**

February 1 - 18, 2024

San Angelo, Texas  
[www.sanangelorodeo.com](http://www.sanangelorodeo.com)

##### **Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo**

February 27 - March 17, 2024

Houston, Texas  
[www.rodeohouston.com](http://www.rodeohouston.com)

##### **Star of Texas Rodeo**

March 8 - 23, 2024

Austin, Texas  
[www.rodeoaustin.com](http://www.rodeoaustin.com)

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**4-H COUNCIL  
MEETING**

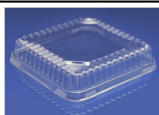
**January 18  
at 6:00pm**

It is very important  
that all club  
presidents and  
council delegates  
attend meeting!



**Meeting Schedule**

- Jan 7 - Rocking O
- Jan 8 - Mathis
- Jan 10 - Gregory-Portland
- Jan 14 - Clover T
- Jan 14 - Ingleside
- Jan 14 - San Pat Horse
- Jan 14 - Taft
- Jan 14 - Wildcat
- Jan 21 - Blue Ribbon
- Jan 21 - West Sinton



**PLASTIC COVERS FOR SALE**

The Extension Office has covers for the A&H Show Homemaking Foods Division.



Round cake cover are \$2 each  
8x8 square containers are \$1 each

The covers are being offered on a first come-basis.  
Checks can be made payable to the **San Patricio 4-H Council**.

**District 11 4-H Food Show & Food Challenge Results**

Congratulations to all the San Patricio County 4-H Food Show and Food Challenge participants. The District 11 4-H Food Show & Food Challenge took place December 13 - 14, 2023 in Cuero. This year's theme was "Cooking Through the Decades".



**Intermediate Division**

**Main Dish Category**

Harlan Miller - Wildcat 4-H ----- 3rd Place



**Junior Division**

**Main Dish Category**

Kenna Miller - Wildcat 4-H ----- 2nd Place

**Food Challenge Teams**

**The Cooking Queens**

**Participation Ribbon**

Bailey Brosig, Payson Brosig, Gracie Kieschnick, Harlee Conley

**The SPYce Kids**

**Participation Ribbon**

Kenna Miller, Harlan Miller, Garrett Smith, Ella Barnes

If you would like more information on the Food Show or a Food Challenge Team please contact the Extension Office.

**Congratulations to All the Participants!!**

***HOMEMAKING ENTRIES***

This is an excellent time to prepare handicrafts, textiles, garments and practice your food entries for the 2024 A&H Show!



For the 2024 Homemaking Division Rules visit the A&H Show's website at: <https://spacahshow.com/>

**2024 Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarships**

Texas 4-H Scholarship opens on November 1st. This scholarship is open to students who wish to pursue a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree from an accredited Texas college or university.

**Important dates:** November 1, 2023 – Application will be available online

- February 15, 2024, by 11:59 PM – Deadline to Apply
- April 26 – April 27, 2024 – Interviews in College Station; - May 2024 – Award Notifications
- June 4-7, 2024 – Scholarship Banquets in College Station



**To Apply go to <https://texas4hfoundation.org/types-of-scholarships/>**



## Student Ag Champs & Scholarships

**Deadline: January 15, 2024**

**Ag Champs** - Each Texas Farm Credit branch location will select one local student who will be awarded a \$1,000 academic grant and the title of Ag Champ. There will be 18 Ag Champs in all. In addition, each Ag Champ will also have a \$1,000 contribution made in their honor to their FFA Chapter or 4-H Club.

**Marsha Martin Scholarship** - Texas Farm Credit will present \$5,000 postsecondary scholarships to 10 future ag leaders. Winners will be announced in May, 2024.

**Eligibility** - To qualify, an applicant must:

- Be a high school senior scheduled to graduate in 2024 and a member of 4-H or FFA
- Reside in Texas Farm Credit's 100 - county territory
- Submit a current high school transcript (official or unofficial)
- Submit a 2024 application. Incomplete applications will not be accepted
- Submit a resume and an essay (see application for topic)
- Completed applications must be received by **January 15, 2024**.



**Application** - To apply, students can either use the online application or download the paper application and mail it in. Mailing instructions are included at the bottom of the paper application.

To apply and for more information visit <https://www.texasfcs.com/news/scholarship-programs>



## Texas Corn Producers Scholarship

**Deadline: January 31, 2024**



The Texas Corn Producers will be awarding two \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors and two to college undergraduates.

**Requirements:** Must be student members of the Texas Corn Producers Association to apply and must plan to attend a Texas college or university full time. They can also apply for opportunities from the National Corn Growers Association with the same application.

More information along with the application is available at: <https://texascorn.org/education/scholarships/>



## Texas Farm Bureau Scholarship

Applications for all TFB scholarships are open for submission.

**Deadline: March 1, 2024**

Winners will be accounted by May 2024.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- ◆ Must complete all questions and be a member of a Farm Bureau family
- ◆ Must be a graduating high school senior, list major agriculture leadership activities

Applications and more information is available at <https://texasfarmbureau.org/youth/scholarship-apps/>

## Freestone County 4-H Archery Club 3D Shoot

January 13, 2024

Case Robinson Memorial Range, 442 FM 833 Fairfield, TX

\$40 per bow



**Deadline:** January 9, 2024 via <https://forms.gle/pFLtCG9nwV4H7YCh6>

More information Contact: Jerry Bonds 903-654-2228 or at [freestone4harchery@gmail.com](mailto:freestone4harchery@gmail.com)

### A&H Show ~ Buyer Letter

This is a good time to start identifying potential buyers for the A&H Show. Exhibitors are encouraged to write letters inviting business owners, family and friends to come out and support the San Patricio/Aransas County A&H Show.

#### Writing a Buyer Letter

- \* Hand write the letters & tell them about your project.
- \* Describe the work you have done and what you LEARNED by working with the project.
- \* Invite potential buyers-don't demand they come.
- \* Encourage them to come support the entire show-don't just ask them to come to the auction.
- \* Please DO NOT tell them "I want you to buy my project". If you do a good job writing your letter and extending a general invitation to the show, they will remember you & look to support you at the show.



### TRAVEL ABROAD WITH 4-H 2024

Central European Cities  
June 8 - 17, 2024

Visit Berlin, Prague, Krakow, and Budapest

**Student Travelers:** \$4,213 (under the age 23)

**Adult Travelers:** \$4,698 (age 23 & over)

#### **What's Included:**

- Round-Trip airfare, 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms, full European breakfast daily, dinner daily
- Full-time services of a professional tour director, guided sightseeing tours & city walks
- Visits to select attractions as per itinerary, tour diary, local guide & local bus driver tips

**More information Contact:** Darlene.locke@ag.tamu.edu

#### **Enroll Online or by phone:**

Explorica.com/Locke-7342; Phone: 1-888-310-7121

<https://www.explorica.com/sign-up>

Tour Center ID: Locke-7342



### 2024 San Patricio County 4-H Photography Show



Starting January 1, 2024 entries for the 4-H County Photography Show will be accepted via Shutterfly. Deadline for all entries is **Tuesday, January 30, 2024 by 5:00pm.**

Awards program is Tentatively set for Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 5:30pm at the County Extension Office. You can pick up a complete list of contest objectives & rules at the Extension Office or visit the County website <http://sanpatricio.agrilife.org>.

**Number of Entries:** A participant may have only **one** entry per category per age group for a total of fifteen (15) entries per participant.

**Photography Categories:** Animals-Domestic, Animals-Wildlife, Catch-All, Details & Macro, Elements of Design, Enhanced, Food, Landscape & Nature (non-animal), Leading Line, Long Exposure, Motion/Action, People, Plant/Flora, Shadow/Silhouette, Theme "Abandoned"





## Horse Show Clinic

January 6, 2023

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

San Patricio County Fairgrounds  
219 W. 5th Street, Sinton

\$25 per person

Bringing your own horse is Highly Suggested but not necessary.

## 2024 A&H SHOW JUDGES

### Steer & Breeding Beef Judge

Parker Henley

### Lamb Judge

Caleb Boradmen

### Rabbit Judge

Shelly Ruland

### Horse Judge

Raylee Ezzell

### Ag Mechanics Judge

TBA

### Hog Judge

A. J. Genter

### Goat Judge

Steve Sturtz

### Poultry Sifter, Judge

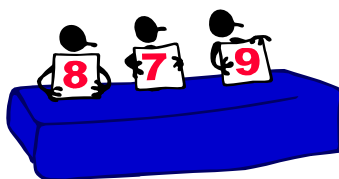
Daniel DeLeon

### Pen of 2 Heifers Judge

TBA

### Overall Showmanship Judge

TBA



### Queen Contest Judge

TBA



## 2024 TEXAS 4-H DOG SHOW T-SHIRT CONTEST

Submit a design and see it on next year's official t-shirt

Entry Deadline: February 15, 2024



### Submission Rules:

- \* Must be a 4-H member enrolled in 4-H Online
- \* Can use 2 ink colors in addition to the color of shirt. Example: if the design calls for red, white & blue one of those colors should be the color of the shirt. Please do not select white as the shirt color choice.
- \* Design should fit on the front side of shirt (12 in design max). Be creative and develop an **original design**
- \* Simple designs are more effective & easier to screen print. Designs may have to be modified slightly to include proper clover logo and to clean up details.
- \* Must Love Dogs!
- \* Entries should be uploaded using the link or scan code, must be JPEG or PNG format.
- \* Entries must be submitted using the QR Code or via the link. <https://forms.gle/SR&GV461UdBiBrox8>
- \* Entries will be judged based on 4-H Age Divisions. Clover Kids (K-2nd) Junior, Intermediate & Senior.
- \* An overall design will be selected from the 1st place entries of each age division listed above.



## Helpful Links:

### Texas 4-H Website

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/>

### Register for 4-H

<http://texas.4honline.com>

### San Patricio County Website

<http://sanpatricio.agrilife.org>

### District 11

<http://d114-h.tamu.edu/>

### San Pat/Aransas A&H Show

<http://sanpatahshow.com/>

### Online 4-H Record book

<http://4hreports.com/>

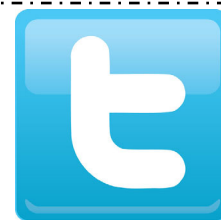
### 4-H Mall

<http://4-Hmall.org/>



To be eligible to compete in the A&H Show in any division, (including Homemaking) you must attend at least 60% of club meetings. Attendance for the 2024 Show starts in January, 2023. You must also meet **UIL academic eligibility requirements** by passing all of your classes. Start out the 4-H year right by attending club meetings and keeping your grades up!

**New 4-H members** must also attend 60% of their club meeting, however, their club attendance begins on Sept. 1, 2023. Only new 4-H members will be allowed to count January 2024 attendance.



Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter! Feel free to share any pictures you have of you or your fellow 4-Hers in action!



If your address changes,  
**PLEASE** correct it on 4-H Online:  
<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/>



The address needs to be corrected on the family profile AND in each individual's profile. The labels for the newsletter and other miscellaneous mailings are generated by the information entered by you or your family. Don't risk missing out on the monthly 4-H newsletter or other important mailings!



### Reminder:

If your animal loses its validation tag, call the Extension Office ASAP with the tag number so that a replacement can be ordered.

### ADULT VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND CHECK

To protect our 4-H members, the Texas 4-H Program administers an adult screening program. This screening is conducted every 3 years. All adults who will be working directly with youth (other than their own children) must complete the adult registration form on 4-H Online to be screened. Once their registration has been approved from the State office, then we can certify those adults as San Patricio County volunteers. Only those adults who have been screened and cleared through YPS will have the privilege of working with 4-H members. There is a \$10 annual fee for each adult who will be a Volunteer. This fee is paid on 4-H Online.



# January 2024



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## TEXAS 4-H AGE CATEGORIES (9-1-23 through 8-31-24)

**Clover Kids:** Kinder through 2nd grade

**Juniors:** 3rd - 5th grade as of Sept. 1, 2023

**Intermediates:** 6th - 8th grade as of Sept. 1, 2023

**Seniors:** 9th - 12th grade as of Sept. 1, 2023



### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### February 2024

01: San Angelo Stock Show Begins

08: San Antonio Stock Show Begins

09: Texas Elite Showcase

13: San Patricio 4-H Photography Awards

15: Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship Deadline

15: Texas 4-H Dog Show T-Shirt Contest

27: Houston Stock Show Begins