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Guadalupe County 4-H Gazette

Your Source for Everything 4-H in and Around Guadalupe County

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Guadalupe County Youth Show is January 18-23

It is almost time again for the county youth show! There will be a LOT of changes coming due to the COVID 19 Pandemic. The biggest change is that the show will take place at the Country Church in Marion on Hwy 78. The Auction will take place at Rio Cibolo Ranch in Zuehl. Stay tuned to Facebook for more information as soon as we get it.

Before the show starts, first we have CONTAINER BOX NIGHT for your baked goods and photo to drop off will announced on facebook as well. Time and place TBA. You must also drop off your photos for judging that day for the youth show contest.

We are asking each 4-Her, that makes it to the auction or not, to bring at least four non-perishable food items to donate to the Christian Cupboard. Matt will be there somewhere with a collection point during the week. There will be no Youth Hospitality Room this year. Remember, that ALL 4-HERS are asked to help with the AUCTION SETUP on Saturday, January 23 at 8am; more details to follow.

I would also ask that you stay at the end to help take down chairs, empty trash and clean up at the end of the night. We don't want just a handful of people to be tasked with cleaning up that HUGE mess! PLEASE, wear a mask during the show and limit your interaction with others. I know it wont be perfect, but it's a chance to show!

Leaders 4 Life Practices Informational Jan.25, 6pm

We will be starting to plan for teams and practice for District on in April in Fredericksburg. This meeting will be on Microsoft Teams! There will be junior, intermediate and senior teams! If you are planning to be on a Leaders 4 Life team, please let Matt know ASAP

District 10 4-H Photo Contest, Photos DUE Feb. 24, 2021 to Ext. Office

Registration for the ***District 10 Photography Contest*** will be due to the county extension office on Wednesday, 24 February 2021 for Guadalupe County. Cost for registration will be $5.00 per person which will be covered by the county council. ALL photo files must be emailed to Matt Miranda by the 24th of Feb.

Each 4-Her may enter up to three (3) photos. A 4-Her CANNOT enter all three photographs in the same category; they will need to be entered in three different categories. Photos must be taken by the 4-H member between February 2, 2020 – February 21, 2021.

Formatting the Photograph

Photographs should be taken at a minimum of 300 dpi quality resolution. Photographs must be in a .jpeg, .jpg format. Files submitted may not be larger than 5120KB (5MB).Photos must be a 3:2 (4"x6") or 5:4 (8"x10") ratios (either landscape or portrait). If you need assistance in resizing photos, you can use: http://webresizer.com/, or a program of your choice.

Labeling/Naming the Photograph

Each photograph will need to be clearly labeled with the Age Division, County, 4-H member's first and last name and the name of the category (see below for label name).

For example: Junior 4-H member John Smith from Bandera County entering the Animals-Wildlife category would upload a file labeled:
Junior _Bandera_John_Smith_Wildlife.jpg
Below, you can see the name of the categories and how that category should be labled on the photo file.

Categories
ANIMALS – DOMESTIC: Domestic
LANDSCAPE & NATURE: Landscape
ANIMALS – WILDLIFE: Wildlife
MOTION/ACTION: Motion
CATCH ALL: All
PEOPLE: People
DETAILS & MACROS: Details
PLANT/FLORA: Plant
LEADING LINES: Leading
MOTION/ACTION: Motion
ELEMENTS OF DESIGN: Elements
THEME: Theme– The theme this year is Forced Perspective.
ENHANCED: Enhanced
LONG EXPOSURE: Long Ex
FOOD: Food

For descriptions of the categories, go to

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/20-21_Photography_Rules.pdf

PLEASE NOTE: The cost listed in this link is for the STATE contest...ONLY 1st place senior photos at county will be allowed to enter this contest

County Clothing Project Leader Training January 11

It is time to start planning for the spring project season, including the Fashion & Interior Design (Clothing) Project and all associated contests. This includes the fashion show, Duds to Dazzle Contest and the Natural Fibers Contest.

Charla will be holding a Virtual Clothing Project leader training on Monday, January 11 at 5:30pm. Please call the office to get your name on the list to receive the meeting link. All the information for Fashion Show, D2D, and Fashion Storyboards Show will be distributed on that date. The link will be emailed out to all 4-H Connect users after the first of the year.

If you are planning to have a Duds to Dazzle team this year, keep in mind that you need to find a coach (can be a parent) for your team!

If you have any questions, please call the county Extension Office at 830-303-3889

County Council/Booster Club Meeting Coming up January 27

The next meeting of the Guadalupe County 4-H Council will be on Wednesday, January 22 7pm on Microsoft Teams. The elected representatives from each 4-H club will meet to discuss county 4-H business and determine what will be done in the coming months.

Additionally, the county 4-H booster club will meet on the same night on Teams. This is open to all 4-H parents and leaders in the county. They raise money to help support the 4-H program in our county! If you have any questions, please call Matt for the council or Jeff for Booster club at 830-303-3889.

Texas 4-H Opportunity Scholarships Due By Jan 31

If you are a senior in high school, chances are you are looking for as many scholarships as you can get! Then don't pass up an opportunity for up to $20,000 dollars!

The Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program and the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation is once again pleased to offer to our senior high school 4-H members and current college students the opportunity to apply for an Opportunity Scholarship through the Texas 4-H Program.

These applications are DUE to the Guadalupe County Extension Office by January 31, 2021 at 5pm. We encourage you to let Matt or Charla read over your scholarship application BEFORE you turn it in; that way, if there are any changes that need to be made to make it more competitive, you can do so before the deadline! Don't miss out on this GREAT opportunity!

Be sure to check out the county website for more information on these and other great scholarships at

https://texas4hfoundation.org/what-we-do/

Youth Show Rookie of the Year Applications DUE Jan 13

Each year, the 4-H Clubs of Guadalupe County have the ability to nominate a 1st year 4-Her that has done great work in there club to be in the running for the Guadalupe County Youth Show Rookie of the Year Award.

This award is chosen from the nominees from each club to be recognized at the 2021 Guadalupe County Youth Show. It is only given to a first year 4-Her, regardless of age. Clover Kids are not eligible.

NEW THIS YEAR, EACH 4-H CLUB will Choose their nominee by ballot, just like an election. The club then turns their nominee form into the county office ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE INTO THE COUNTY OFFICE BY January 13, 2021.

From that pool, a judge will choose the best candidate from the applications that can be found on our county website at http://guadalupe.agrilife.org/?page_id=75

All of the Rookie Nominees will be recognized around noon at the Youth Show Saturday Auction! Please be aware, there is ALSO a Guadalupe County 4-H Rookie of the Year awards that will be distributed at the 4-H Banquet in August 2021.

Due to club meetings being cancelled from COVID, the deadline was extended till January from December.

2021 Foods and Nutrition 4-H Project Info

Foods and Nutrition County Website:
https://guadalupe.agrilife.org/?page_id=104

For updated information on contest rules and guidelines, please email Charla Bading at c-bading@tamu.edu or call her at 830-303-3889.

Contest Dates

Guadalupe County 4-H Food Challenge – March 27th (PM)
(Due: Team name, age and coaches by March 19th)
District Food Challenge – Wednesday, April 28th, Kerrville
Guadalupe County Fashion Show/Duds to Dazzle – March 27th (AM)
(Due: Team name, age and coaches by March 15th)
District Fashion Show/Duds to Dazzle – April 23rd, Fredericksburg

FOOD CHALLENGE:

A few minor changes have been made to the 2020-21 Texas 4-H Food Challenge Guidelines. Get updated guidelines by email or calling Charla Bading, FCH Agent.

CATEGORIES: There will be four food categories in each age division. The new categories for this year are: *Appetizer, Main Dish, Side Dish, and Healthy Dessert*.

Guadalupe County fee schedule:
Kits will be checked out on a first come, first serve bases.

$100 – check out a food challenge kit. $40 will be used for restocking the kits with disposable items and $20 to pay the $5 a kid entry fee for the county contest. Fee will not differ if you have 3 or 4 kids on the team. The majority of the kits came back without gloves, paper towels, wet wipes, trash bags, etc. so I am still needing to stock the kits so we are doing this differently this year. If the kit comes back with all of the cookware, bowls, knives, etc. in it, we will refund you $40.
After the kit is checked out, we will **not** be providing extra gloves, paper towels, trash bags, storage bags, disposable tasting spoons, sanitizing wipes, Band-Aids, hand sanitizer, etc. You will need to provide those for your team.
** Several have asked about sanitizing wipes – this year we are being allowed to have wipes (if you can find them) or a spray cleaning solution.

County-Wide 4-H Projects

These are the projects that are offered on the county level currently, a new project can be added at ANY time! If you would like to get involved with one of these projects or start a new one, contact Matt Miranda at 830-303-3889 or mjmiranda@ag.tamu.edu

Natural Resources (Outdoor Challenge) (PARTIALLY OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)
This project focuses on developing outdoor skills in various areas including camping, archery, wildlife ID, Shooting Sports and much more! **This project will meet at Outdoor Learning Center on the 4th Sunday afternoon from 2-5pm! January 24!**

Horse Project
The Horse Project will be in for its 2nd year in 2020-2021. We are just getting started right now and are looking for more participants. This includes horse riding (western, possibly English too), speed events, horse judging, horse quiz bowl and care/maintenance of horses. Contact the County Extension office for more information. Next meeting is at Sheriffs Posse Arena, 2215 FM 466, Seguin, TX 78155.

Robotics & STEM
The Robotics Project has grown and we are looking to expand and prepare for contests and more! **We will meet the 1st Saturday of each month from 9-11am**. If you would like to participate in the project, please contact the robotics club at guadalupe4Hrobots@gmail.com

Shooting Sports (Archery, Rifle, Pistol & Muzzle Loading)
If you would like to get involved in the Shooting Sports Project (Rifle, Pistol, and Archery) please contact the 4-H Shooting Sports Club. They are willing to coach the kids and teach them the proper way to handle and discharge a firearm! Guadalupe County will even be hosting a coaches training again this year. For more information about rules and requirements of coaches and information about coach training, please see the "Coach & Assistant Coach Training and Certification Information" document on the Shooting Sports website: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/shootingsports . **They meet the 3rd Sunday of the month, 2pm at the Bexar Shooting Range**

Shotgun Project
The shotgun project is the 4-H Shotgun Sports club in Guadalupe County. Guadalupe County will even be hosting a coaches training again this year. For more information about rules and requirements of coaches and information about coach training, please see the "Coach & Assistant Coach Training and Certification Information" document on the Shooting Sports website: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/shootingsports . **They meet the 1st Sunday of the month, 2pm at the Bexar Shooting Range**

Dog Project (OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)
Come learn how to show your dog in all areas of dog training. We have a goal of participating in the 4-H State Dog Show in July 2020. When: Every Tuesday thru July. Time: 6 – 8pm come and go training time. You do not have to be there the entire time. Where: Coach Karen and Anneka Dahle. 9120 E. FM 1518 N. Schertz, Texas

Livestock Projects

If you are interested in these livestock projects, join the Livestock Coalition or call Jeff or Travis at the county Extension Office at 830-303-3889.

Food and Nutrition (OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)
This project teaches kids to cook, eat healthy, proper nutrition and much more! The Food Show, Food Challenge (Like Iron Chef), and FCH Bowl are all coming up this fall! We have some great 4-Hers and volunteers that help with this project, as well as our County FCS Agent, Dr. Charla Bading! If you would like more information, contact Charla at 830-303-3889

Photography (OPEN TO CLOVER KIDS)
We would like to do at least a few photography workshops and tours this year! If you have ideas for a trip, contact Matt Miranda and we will set it up! Workshops ideas include focus, mounting of photos, subject matter and more.

Livestock Judging Project
Livestock Judging Practices fill be held on the following dates at Chuck Real's house located at 15492 Real Rock Rd, Marion, TX 78124. If you have questions please call Chuck at 210-827-7351.

Beekeeping Project
Date will be posted on Facebook
Leader - Mark deKiewiet
Topic - Preparing Bees for Winter
Please confirm attendance
Remember to wear shoes, a hat and a mask

Vet Science
Vet science is BACK as a 4-H Project in Guadalupe County. You need to be about 11-12 years old to get involved because of the level of the subject matter. Our next meeting will be will be November 4 at 6:30 pm at the county extension office. You must wear a mask! The meeting will also be live streamed as well!

A REMINDER, ALL MEETINGS ARE TO BE HELD ONLINE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE OR WHEN GUADALUPE COUNTY IS REMOVED FROM THE RED ZONE AS DETERMINED BY THE TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE STATE OFFICE.

COVID-19 and 4-H Meetings

Guidelines for Conducting Adult and 4-H Meetings, Programs and Events - Guadalupe County 4-H

All 4-H Events are cancelled or to be held online through January 6. We will know after that time if we can go back to having face to face meetings or not.

** **Variations will exist between counties and what is allowed based on local requirements/mandates, do not compare your club/county activities to those in neighboring counties**

Best Practices for Adult and 4-H Club Meetings, Programs, Banquets and Events:

- **Group meetings may be at a 50% capacity of space or fewer people only if social distancing can be practiced, WITH a limited capacity of 50 people.**
- **For meetings/activities greater than 50 people, a preparedness plan must be submitted for approval by the County Extension Agents**
- **However, it is recommended that you submit a preparedness plan for all events as we navigate doing some programs in person.**
- **For 4-H Clubs specifically having each club complete a preparedness plan will help to ensure that they are following our practices.**
- ***If the local health authority or county commissioner's court implements a mandate of fewer people, then that policy must be followed.***
- **Pre-order supplies and materials, including tissues and hand sanitizer, masks, etc.**
- **Encourage participants to bring their own masks/face coverings**
- **Masks/ Face Coverings MUST be worn by all individuals, per the Governors order (GA-29).**
- **Tables and chairs should be sanitized before and after meeting and at breaks.**
- **Frequently clean high-touch areas, including door handles, surfaces, handrails, etc. within the confinement of the physical space of the program.**
- **Check with facilities and venues on requirements for cleaning/sanitizing facilities after and during use**
- **Actively monitor where COVID-19 is circulating. Advise participants in advance that if they have any symptoms or feel unwell, they should not attend.**
- **Send anyone who appears sick away, whether employee or client.**
- **The COVID 19 Screening Form (obtain from your agent/4-H Specialist) can be used for the purpose of screening ALL participants (youth, adults/volunteers, little siblings)**
- **Club Managers/Event Coordinators should retain hard copies of this document**
- **Virtual Meetings and Events are encouraged alternatives**
- **When utilizing online platforms, be sure to follow guidelines established by Texas 4-H at the link below:**

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V5GcZWEoWa29b9050v2utCPFj2A3SHtG/view

- **This is a "live" link, which means it can be updated at anytime based on new guidance from administration.**
- **Remember, if this can be done virtually, we would encourage you to consider conducting it that way.**

Meals/ Refreshments/Snacks Provided at Meetings/Events:

- **Pre-packaged foods or boxed lunches, no taste testing or food sampling at programs**
- **Serve meals with disposable utensils, napkins, cups, and plates.**
- **Clean and disinfect tables, chairs, etc. after use.**

** All Extension office operations and employees must be compliant with all state, county and local public health proclamations and ordinances

Face to Face Program Preparedness Plan

Organizers of meetings and events need to think about the potential risk from COVID-19 because:

- There is a risk that people attending your meeting or event might unwittingly bring the COVID-19 virus to the meeting and others being unknowingly exposed to COVID-19.
- While COVID-19 is a mild disease for most people, it can make some very ill. Around 1 in every 5 people who are sickened with COVID-19 will require hospitalization.

Key considerations to prevent or reduce COVID-19 risks BEFORE the meeting or event include:

- Contact the appropriate (or designated) authorities in the community where you plan to hold the event or meeting to ensure it is safe or appropriate to do so.
- Develop and agree upon a preparedness plan to prevent infection at your meeting or event.
- Consider whether a face-to-face meeting or event is needed. Could it be replaced by a teleconference, online or virtual event?
- Could the meeting or event be scaled down or offered in multiple sessions to fewer people?
- Pre-order supplies and materials, including tissues and hand sanitizer for all participants. Have surgical masks available to offer anyone who develops respiratory symptoms. In general, educational program participants should provide their own PPE.
- Actively monitor where COVID-19 is circulating. Advise participants in advance that if they have any symptoms or feel unwell, they should not attend.
- Make sure all organizers, participants, caterer's and visitors at the event provide contact details: mobile telephone number, email and address where they are staying. State clearly that their details will be shared with local public health authorities if any participant becomes ill with a suspected infectious disease. If they will not agree to this, they cannot attend the event or meeting.

Key considerations to prevent or reduce COVID-19 risks DURING the meeting or event include:

- Provide information or a briefing, preferably both orally and in writing, on COVID-19 and the measures that organizers are taking to make this event safe for participants in program announcements.
- Remind participants as they enter to utilize ways to greet others without touching.
- Encourage regular handwashing or use of an alcohol rub by all participants at the meeting or event.
- Encourage participants to cover their face with the bend of their elbow or a tissue if they cough or sneeze. Supply tissues and closed bins to dispose of them in.
- Display dispensers of alcohol-based hand rub prominently around the venue.
- If there is space, arrange seats so that participants are at least six feet apart.
- Open windows and doors whenever possible to make sure the venue is well ventilated.
- If anyone starts to feel unwell, follow your preparedness plan.
- Depending on the situation in your area, or recent travel of the participant, place the person in the isolation room. Offer the person a mask so they can get home safely, if appropriate, or to a designated assessment facility.
- Thank all participants for their cooperation with the provisions in place.

Key considerations to prevent or reduce COVID-19 risks AFTER the meeting or event include:

- In keeping with existing policy, retain the names and contact details of all participants through documented sign in sheets.
- If someone at the meeting or event was isolated as a suspected COVID-19 case, the organizer should let all participants know this. They should be advised to monitor themselves for symptoms for 14 days and take their temperature twice a day.
- If they develop even a mild cough or low-grade fever they should stay at home and self-isolate. This means avoiding close contact (6-FEET or nearer) with other people, including family members. They should also telephone their healthcare provider or the local public health department, giving them details of their recent travel and symptoms.
- Thank all the participants for their cooperation with the provisions.

4-H FCH Projects

4-H Fashion Show, Duds to Dazzle, and Story-board county contests

Due March 19th to the Guadalupe County AgriLife office:

- **Storyboards (waiting for rules from district)**
- **Fashion Show paperwork**

List of Duds to Dazzle team name, members names and coaches

Saturday, March 27th, (AM) at Red Barn

Schedule:

8:30 am Fashion Show Contestants Check-in
9:00 am Fashion show Judging
9:45 Duds to Dazzle contest
TBA Awards Program

4-H Duds to Dazzle – Team information due March 19th

2021 duds-to-dazzle-contest-guide
2021 Junior D2D Sewing Kit list
2021 Intermediate D2D Sewing Kit list
2021 Senior D2D Sewing Kit list

2021 Possible Duds to Dazzle questions

Duds to Dazzle Resources
Duds to Dazzle Explore Curriculum
Landry on Your Own

Unraveling the Mystery of Design Elements

Hand Stitching

Simple Seaming Techniques

Pricing Tips and Tricks

Safety Guide

4-H Fashion show – Senior ONLY – paperwork due March 19th
Senior Fashion Show information
Senior Fashion Show Construction form

Senior Fashion Show Buying form

Senior Fashion Show possible construction questions

Senior Fashion Show possible buying questions

4-H Fashion show – Junior & Intermediate information – paperwork due March 19th
*** Will post as soon as I get information from District office.
- 2021 Junior and Intermediates Buying and Construction Fashion Show information
- 2021 Junior and Intermediates Construction form
- 2021 Junior and Intermediates Buying form

2021 Fashion Show Questions for Juniors and Intermediates

4-H Fashion Show Natural Fibers Contest – Seniors only
Natural Fibers
Natural Fibers entry form

Natural Fibers possible questions

4-H Fashion Storyboard – Board due March 19th
2021 Storyboard rules and guidelines
Storyboard Label

Storyboard scorecard

DESIGN BRIEF The following design brief serves as the direction for the 2021 Storyboards. 4-H members should create their Storyboard around their interpretation of the design brief.
Reinventing Fashion with History.
See how history shaped fashion through the decades; from the roaring 20's to the groovy 70's, from the classic 30's to the vibrant 80s and the fashion "mash-up" during the 2010's. Each decade has its own style, look at the events, music and politics that influenced design during the different decades. This year reinvent fashion by the events that happened in a previous decade or a decade yet to come.

2021 Guadalupe County 4-H Photography Contest Coming in March

Eligibility of Photos: Each 4-H member **may enter up to eight (8) photos**. ***No more than two photos in a single category.*** **These photos must be taken by the 4-H member between March 2020 and March 2021.**

Size of Photographs: Each photograph must be 8 inches by 10 inches in dimension

Mounting of Photographs: All prints must be securely and permanently mounted solid on black or white PHOTOGRAPHIC MOUNT BOARD (mat board material) or a THIN FOAM BOARD no larger than 8 inches by 10 inches suitable for hanging without an additional frame. Masonite, photo folders, corrugated cardboard or thin poster board is not acceptable. Double faced tape, glue or rubber cement is not allowed for mounting purposes. (Use dry mounting if possible.) Matting (of any kind) is not allowed and will result in disqualification. Some resources for mounting supplies include: Hobby Lobby, Michaels

Label on Photographs: A "Photography Label/Release" should be legibly printed or typed and affixed to the back of the photo in the center. It is located at the end of this form and be cut out and copied for multiple entries

Awards: 1st thru 5th place ribbons will be awarded… participations ribbons for all others

Deadline: Friday, March 5 at 5pm.

Place this line on the top of the Photo	
Name	
Club	
4-H Age as of 9-1-20	
Category	
Description of Photo	

Place this line on the top of the Photo	
Name	
Club	
4-H Age as of 9-1-20	
Category	
Description of Photo	

2021 Guadalupe Co. 4-H Photography Contest Entry Form

Please complete and submit this form with your photos

Name _____ Club/Group_____

Phone # _____ Birth date _____ Age (as of 9/1/20) _____

Under your age division, please mark the categories you are entering photos ***with the number of photos you are entering in that division. Each participant may enter up to 8 photos, no more than two per category****.*

Division	Clover Kids	Junior	Intermediate	Senior
Animals – Domestic				
Animals – Wildlife				
Catch – All				
Details Macros				
Elements of Design				
Enhanced				
Leading Lines				
Long Exposure				
Food				
Nature and Landscape				
Motion/Action				
People				
Plant Flora				
Shadow/silhouette				
Theme– Forced Perspective				

HEY HEY HEY 4-HERS!

DISTRICT 10 COMMUNITY SERVICE

We will be collecting school supplies within each county that will then be distributed throughout your schools for the new year.

JOIN US IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Supplies collected should be taken to your extension office!

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What is the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service?

A unique education agency, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service teaches Texans wherever they live, extending research-based knowledge to benefit their families and communities. From the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Website

What is 4-H?

4-H is a youth organization that provides kids with the life skills they need to become a responsible, productive, community minded citizen. This is done through 4-H Project Work, a collection of educational experiences that give the child a chance to learn, grow, think and do.

In Support of the 4-H Club Motto, "To Make the Best Better," I pledge my Head to Clearer Thinking; My Heart to greater loyalty; my hands to larger service; and my health to better living. For my Club, my Community, My County and my world.

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.