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## Jim Wells County 4-H Connection

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### Birthday Thank You!

I want to say a huge thank you to all of you that planned and came to my BIG surprise Birthday Party in April. I really loved it and had no idea because I really thought I was going to photography judging practice and I was excited about that new project activity. Everything was awesome but the fact ya'll took the time to come celebrate my birthday really filled my heart with joy. And by the way, photography judging will begin in January again as an activity for the photo project. No more practices for until new 4-H year. Thank you Amanda Lane for this opportunity for the 4-H'ers.

If you have any questions about your 4-H projects, please do not hesitate to call us at the County Extension Office.

Sincerely,  
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### Thank You Corner

Thank you to the great volunteers that assisted with the Invitational Ag Product ID Contest and Cupcake Wars. The events would not have run nearly as smoothly or quickly without your help. Thank you Amanda Lane, Annie Tijerina, Tammy Martinez, Lilly Rodriguez, Annabel Chapa, Lexi Olvera, Mary Tovar, Arnie Gutierrez and Rachel Gallagher (People's Choice Voting). Your help was greatly appreciated.

### Congratulations Rifle Team

Congratulations to the Jim Wells County 4-H Rifle Teams for their accomplishments at the District 12 4-H Rifle Match.



The Intermediate Team of Avery Garcia, Jazmin Guerrero and Roman Espinoza placed 3rd. The Senior Team of Ethan Garcia, James Ruiz, and Joseph Saenz placed 2nd. Ethan also was 2nd place in the Senior Silhouette competition. The senior team advances to the State 4-H Rifle Match June 8 in Victoria. Congratulations to the teams and Coach Eddie Garcia.....this is exciting and it will be the first time in 20+ years that Jim Wells County is represented at the State Match in Rifle. Thank you Coach Eddie for all of your dedication and time with the 4-H'ers.

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## **Congratulations 4-H Graduating Seniors**

We would like to congratulate the 4-H'ers who will be graduating from their respective high schools this month and June. We wish you the best of luck in all of your future endeavors.



### **Ben Bolt—Palito Blanco 4-H**

Alejandro Dominguez and Tristian Perez

### **Brush Country 4-H**

Gabriella Reynaldo, Horacio Lomas III, Mariel Zambrano

### **Hoppin' 4-H**

Danniella DeLeon, Josh Wigley

### **Orange Grove Country Kids 4-H**

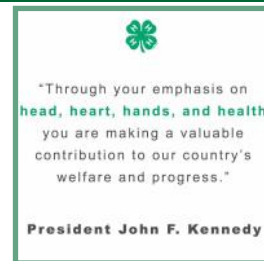
Caleb French, Jenna Baker, Taylor Sandoval

### **Premont Cactus 4-H**

CJ Rodriguez, Sabestian Chapa, Ramiro Garcia

## **TSC Great Neighbor Photo Contest**

Every stop of the 2019 TSC Fair Tour will celebrate a few photo contest winners from 4-H and National FFA chapters in the area. To participate, a member submits a photo that displays how you are making a difference in your community. Submit your photos and a short caption thru June 16 for a chance to be recognized at the Fair stop, along with a commemorative plaque and TSC gift pack. To enter your photo, learn more information about the contest, and see the tour schedule, visit the website at [www.TractorSupply.com/FairTour](http://www.TractorSupply.com/FairTour)



## **District 12 4-H Fashion Sensation and Round-Up Results**

Congratulations to the 4-H'ers who traveled to Laredo and participated in the District 12 4-H Fashion Sensation and Round-Up Contests. Rayegan Lane received a red ribbon in the Junior Buying Everyday Living. Kinleigh Carr received Top Winner in the Junior Construction Refashion Category. Emma Lane received Top Winner in the Intermediate Buying Semi-Formal/Formal Category. In the storyboard contest: Trevor Martinez was Top Winner in the Senior Accessory Category; Kinleigh Carr received a red ribbon in the Junior Pet Clothing Category; and Rachel Gallagher received a Blue Ribbon in the Senior Wearable Category.

District 12 4-H Round-Up: Junior Ag Product ID team of Kinleigh Carr, Rayegan Lane, Edward Wigley placed 3rd and Kinleigh was High Point Individual; Senior Ag Product ID team of Emily Kalinec, Trevor Martinez, and Paige Langley placed 1st and Emily was High Point Individual and Trevor was 2nd High Point Individual; Adam Tijerina and Emma Lane also participated in Intermediate Ag Product ID Contest; Edward Wigley placed 1st in Junior Health & Wellness Educational Presentation; Rayegan Lane placed 1st in Junior Open Educational Presentation; Emily Kalinec and Paige Langley placed 2nd in Senior Open Educational Presentation; Kinleigh Carr placed 1st in Junior Open FCH Educational Presentation; Josh Wigley placed 1st in Promote 4-H Educational Presentation; Emma Lane placed 2nd in Intermediate Open ANR Educational Presentation; Trevor Martinez placed 1st in Senior Open FCH Educational Presentation; Adam Tijerina placed 1st in Open Educational Presentation. In the Over-All Sweepstakes Awards: Kinleigh Carr was 2nd place Junior; Adam Tijerina was 3rd place Intermediate; and Trevor Martinez was 1st place in Senior Sweepstakes B.

Congratulations to each of you and best of luck to the senior advancing to State 4-H Round-Up in June.

## District 12 4-H Leadership Lab

The District 12 4-H Leadership Lab will be held on June 18-21 at Texas A&M University Kingsville. Activities that will take place at lab include leadership training and activities, mixers, educational workshops, Olympic games, recreation, along with night activities. Lab is open to 4-H'ers 12 years of age and older. The total cost for lab is \$250. If you are interested in attending, 4-H'ers must register online for lab on 4-H Connect and make payment online.

Cost covers room and meals. The deadline to sign-up on line via 4-H Connect for lab is Friday, May 31. 4-H'ers will also be given the option if they would like to stay to participate in the District 12 4-H Election Convention. Only 4-H'ers that pay the extra fee for that event will be allowed to stay and participate on Friday, June 21 for the District 12 4-H Election Convention.

## 4-H Record Books

4-H Record books are books you complete to record your 4-H annual projects and activities. Why is it important you keep a record of your 4-H activities? Because, by recording your activities you can track of everything that you have done, remember all the fun you've had so far, and set future goals! Keeping records of 4-H projects could help you when you apply for college scholarships. It also helps keep track of all your leadership and community service projects.

**The deadline to turn in County 4-H Record Books is Monday, June 17, by 5:00 p.m.** to the County Extension Office. The record book forms can be downloaded at: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/recordbooks/> The 4-H record book is made up of a personal information page, 4-H Story and Photo Portfolio, and the 4-H Project Report Form.

The 4-H record book forms are new this year and there is new criteria. 2 record book workshops have been held to inform 4-H families and assist with the new forms and criteria. A record book family guide is available on the State 4-H website also.

## 4-H Night with the Hooks



Those baseball fans and those that like going to the Hooks games, help us promote 4-H Night at the Hooks. If we have enough 4-H families to go to the game, we have special incentives going on during the game as well 4-H'ers throwing out the first pitch and talking on the field during the game. Anyone can go to 4-H Night at the Hooks and purchase tickets thru this link. This is a new and different opportunity for 4-H that I think could be a fun, family 4-H event. If you have any questions, please call the Extension Office. I look forward to seeing you at the game. For tickets: <https://offer.fevo.com/frisco-roughriders-ar4ezkf-d919de5>

## Jim Wells County Fair Catalogs

Jim Wells County Fair Catalogs will be distributed at your May 4-H Club meetings. If you miss your May 4-H club meeting, you will need to contact your club manager to arrange to pick one up. It is important to be familiar with all of the fair rules before validations and the fair. The catalogs have the new rules for the 2019 Jim Wells County Fair.

**Don't forget to attend your 4-H Club meetings monthly. Meeting requirements must be made by the end of May for the 2019 Jim Wells County Fair.**

## District 12 4-H Postal League Results

Congratulations to the Jim Wells County 4-H Archery and Rifle teams for their hard work and accomplishments in the District 12 4-H Postal League. Jim Wells County 4-H did very well. Results are:

### Rifle

Avery Garcia, 2nd place Intermediate  
Esteban Pena, 4th place Intermediate  
Jazmin Guerrero, 6th place Intermediate  
Team of Avery, Esteban, Jazmin, and Roman Espinoza was 2nd place Intermediate Team  
Ethan Garcia, 4th place Senior  
Team of Ethan Garcia, James Ruiz, and Joseph Saenz was 3rd place Senior Team

### Archery

Molly Jo Fisher, 1st place, Barebow, 1st Year Jr.  
Brayden Rodriguez, 3rd place, Barebow, 1st Year Jr.  
Cree Ramos, 4th place, Barebow, 1st Year Jr  
Benjamin Ragland, 5th place, Barebow, 1st Year Jr  
Yesenia Cabrera, 1st place, Barebow, Junior  
Kinleigh Carr, 2nd place, Barebow, Junior  
Danniella Tunchez, 3rd place, Barebow, Junior  
Jazmin Guerrero, 2nd place, Barebow, Intermediate  
Ethan Madison, 4th place Barebow, Intermediate  
Lucas Walker, 5th place Barebow, Intermediate  
Jaime Garza, 6th place Barebow, Intermediate  
Austin Chapa, 2nd place Barebow, Senior  
Nathaniel Ragland, 3rd place Barebow, Senior  
Cyrenniah Hinojosa, 1st place Recurve, Junior  
Eli Walker, 2nd place Genesis, Junior  
Avery Garcia, 1st place Genesis, Intermediate  
Mason Blanchette, 1st place Genesis, Senior  
Paige Langley, 3rd place Genesis, Senior  
Adam Tijerina, 1st place Compound Aided, Intermediate  
Emily Kalinec, 4th place Compound Aided, Senior

Thank you to all of our shooting sports coaches: Eddie Garcia, Richard Griffin, Cullen Wright, Eddie Tijerina, Sarita Blanchette, and Annie Tijerina for conducting the shoots postal league and giving the 4-H'ers the opportunity to the 4-H'ers to compete.

## State 4-H Indoor Archery Results

Jim Wells County 4-H had a big group at the State 4-H Indoor Archery Match in Carrizo Springs. Results are:

### 1st Year Shooters

#### Junior

Molly Fisher, Barebow, 5th place  
Maddie Rodriguez, Barebow, 7th place  
Izea Forrester, Barebow, 10th place

#### Intermediate

Lyandra Salinas, Barebow, 4th place

#### Senior I

Baileigh Wright, Barebow, 3rd place

#### Senior II

Benjamin Ragland, Barebow, 2nd place

### 2nd Year + Archers

#### Junior

Kinleigh Carr, Barebow, 5th place  
Danniella Tunchez, Barebow, 8th place  
Cyrenniah Hinojosa, Recurve, 5th place

#### Intermediate

Ariel Pousson, Compound Unaided, 5th place

#### Senior

Mason Blanchette, Genesis, 3rd place  
Paige Langley, Genesis, 5th place

## Horticulture/Gardening Project & Show

4-H'ers who have horticulture/gardening projects, don't forget to take final pictures of your projects this week (May 13-17) to add to your project report forms. Projects and the project report forms will be due on Monday, May 20, from 4:30-5:30 at the Merchant's Building at the Fairgrounds. Awards Ceremony for the Horticulture/Gardening project will be held on May 22 at 5:30 p.m. at the Merchant's Building.





## District Photo Contest Results

Congratulations to the 4-H'ers who had their photos advance and compete in the District 12 4-H Photography Contest. Results are:

### Junior

Animals-Domestic, Cyrreniah Hinojosa, Red Ribbon  
Animals-Wildlife, Kinleigh Carr, Red Ribbon  
Details & Macro, Cyrreniah Hinojosa, Best of Class  
Dominant Color, Rayegan Lane, Red Ribbon  
Enhanced, Rayegan Lane, Blue Ribbon  
Landscape and Nature, Kinleigh Carr, Blue Ribbon  
Plant & Flora, Ari Mercado, Blue Ribbon  
Travel, Kinleigh Carr, Blue Ribbon

### Intermediate

Animals-Wildlife, Ariel Pousson, Red Ribbon  
Catch-All, Emma Lane, Blue Ribbon  
Details & Macro, Adam Tijerina, Red Ribbon  
Elements of Design, Adam Tijerina, Best of Class  
Food, Adam Tijerina, Red Ribbon  
Landscape and Nature, Kylee Teague, Blue Ribbon  
Motion and Action, Adam Tijerina, Blue Ribbon  
People, Ariel Pousson, Blue Ribbon  
Plant & Flora, Ariel Pousson, Blue Ribbon  
Sports, Ariel Pousson, Blue Ribbon  
Travel, Emma Lane, Blue Ribbon

### Senior

Animals-Domestic, Taylor Sandoval, Best of Class  
Animals-Wildlife, Amanda Poppe, Blue Ribbon  
Catch-All, Amanda Poppe, Blue Ribbon  
Elements of Design, Trevor Martinez, Blue Ribbon  
Landscape and Nature, Amanda Poppe, Best of Class  
Motion and Action, Taylor Sandoval, Best of Class  
People, Amanda Poppe, Blue Ribbon  
Plant & Flora, Amanda Poppe, Blue Ribbon  
Sports, Taylor Sandoval, Best of Class

## District 12 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

Congratulations to Ari Mercado for competing in the District 12 4-H Livestock Judging Contest in Fredericksburg in April. Ari was 12th HP Individual in the Contest.

## Jim Wells County 4-H Invitational Ag Product ID Contest Results

The Jim Wells County 4-H Invitational Ag Product ID Contest grew this year with Bee, Nueces, Live Oak, Atascosa, Hidalgo, Starr and Jim Wells Counties participating.

### Clover Kids

1st place—Jessie Cadena (HP), Gabi Mercado (2nd HP), Alex Pena (3rd HP)  
2nd place—June Martinez, Ayden Moreno, and Macy Suarez

### Junior/Intermediate

4th place—Emma Lane, Maddie Rodriguez, Adam Tijerina, Kinleigh Carr  
5th HP Individual—Aaliyah Moreno

### Senior

1st place Team, Emily Kalinec, Trevor Martinez (2nd HP), Paige Langley, Austin Chapa (5th HP)  
5th place—Mason Blanchette, CJ Rodriguez, Makayla Rodriguez (3rd HP)

### Adults

HP—Katie Fisher  
3rd HP—Kelly Dugat  
4th HP—Jackie Pena

## Jim Wells County Fair

### Broiler/Roaster Poultry Orders



Orders for Roaster/Broiler Poultry for the Jim Wells County Fair are due by Friday, May 17, by 4:00 p.m. to the Jim Wells County Fair Office. Order forms have been previously emailed to 4-H families and is included in this newsletter.

## Bee County Ag Product ID Contest Results

Way to go and a big thumbs up to our 4-H'ers who participated in the 1st Annual Bee County Ag Product ID Contest. Jessie Cadena was 3rd HP Clover Kid. The junior team of Rayegan Lane, Edward Wigley, Cyreniah Hinojosa, Kinleigh Carr placed 1st. Edward was 4th HP and Cyreniah was 5th HP. The intermediate team of Adam Tijerina, Chelsea Munoz, and Emma Lane placed 3rd. Thank you to Amanda Lane for substitute coaching for Rogelio and I who were at other 4-H events that weekend.

## Cupcake Wars

Cute and delicious are 2 words to describe the cupcakes turned in by 4-H'ers and leaders for the annual "Cupcake Wars." The People's Choice Award was won by Ari Mercado, Gabi Mercado, and Hivalia Thomas.

### Clover Kids

1st place—Alex Pena

2nd place—Madison Munoz

3rd place—Hayden Gray

### Junior

1st place—Kinleigh Carr

2nd place—Molly Fisher

3rd place—Rayegan Lane

### Intermediate

1st place—Adam Tijerina

2nd place—Chelsea Munoz

3rd place—Emma Lane

### Adult

1st place—Anissa Valverde

2nd place—Patricia Gray

3rd place—Amanda Lane

### Team

1st place—Tijerina Family (Eddie, Annie, Adam)

2nd place—Andie Pena and Kallie Dugat

3rd place—Team Carr (Kinleigh, Kyleigh, Becky)

Thank you to everyone that came out, participated, viewed and voted on cupcakes. We had 19 entries this year.



## Blackberries

- Cultivated blackberries are an improved form of the wild southern blackberries, or dewberries. These plants are biennial, meaning they are flowering plants that need 2 years to complete the biological life cycle.
- Mature plants can produce 5,000 to 10,000 pounds per acre per year.
- Wild dewberries are harvested and marketed by the gallon in roadside stands in May and early June. Blackberries can be sold in "pick-your-own" farms or hand-harvested and sold in local fresh markets.
- A serving of blackberries (1 cup), contains a number of important nutrients including:
  - Fiber
  - Calcium
  - Iron
  - Potassium
  - Antioxidants

Source: [https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/fruit-nut/files/2015/04/blackberries\\_2015.pdf](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/fruit-nut/files/2015/04/blackberries_2015.pdf)  
<https://nmgd.fns.usda.gov/seasonal-produce-guide/mc-liberries>  
<https://www.fruitsandveggenormatters.org/blackberries-nutrition-selection-storage>

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION PATH TO THE PLATE

## Beef

- Of the 913,246 total cattle & calf operations in the United States, beef farms and ranches make up 727,906 of these operations. Family-owned or individually operated operations account for 91% of beef farms and ranches.
- Texas leads the nation in all cattle numbers with 12.5 million head.
- One interesting thing about beef is the by-products we make that adds value to the product. These by-products can include chewing gum, gelatin, ice cream, glue, footballs, and even paint brushes.
- A serving of 3 oz of beef can provide you with 10 nutrients for your body to use. These include:
  - Protein
  - B12
  - Selenium
  - Zinc
  - Niacin
  - B6
  - Phosphorus
  - Choline
  - Iron
  - Riboflavin

Source: [http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/Highlights/2019/2017Census\\_Farm\\_Producers.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/Highlights/2019/2017Census_Farm_Producers.pdf)  
<https://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/Highlights/2016/SmallFamilyFarms.pdf>  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1b1kbx8o8Ist=PLlTU9YR3y\\_blaOT3Ww4SMcaTW44e1d&index=2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1b1kbx8o8Ist=PLlTU9YR3y_blaOT3Ww4SMcaTW44e1d&index=2)

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## Save the Up-Coming Dates:

July 1—Jim Wells County 4-H Outstanding Award Interviews (4-H'ers turning in record books)

July 2—Club Officer Training (Afternoon/Evening)

July 23—South Texas Cattleman's Round-Up

July 24—4-H Club Officer Workshop (Afternoon), Club Managers/Leaders (Evening)