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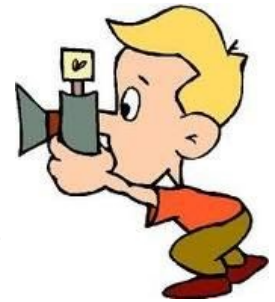
**March
2020**

County Photography Contest

Special Points:

- **Photography contest**
- **Online Resources for 4-H Managers**
- **Youth Loan**
- **Calendar**
- **Word search**
- **Patriotism Through Preparedness**

Anyone who will be participating in the photography contest need to turn in their entries March 9th before 5:00 p.m. at the Extension Office to be judged at the County level. **Pictures can be submitted digitally.** Any entries turned in after 5:00 p.m. on March 9th will not be accepted. All entries must go through the County Competition in order to compete at the District Level. Those who advance for the District 12 Competition will be notified. If you would like more information on the District 12 Photography contest you can go onto the District 4-H website <http://d124-h.tamu.edu/> .



District 12 Photography Contest

Each 4-H'er entering photos for the District 4-H Photography Contest must register online through 4-H Connect. The registration fee will be \$8.00 per photo entry. Online registration will open February 28-March 18. This is a new process, so be prepared. Detailed registration instructions will be posted on the District 12 4-H website at <http://d124-h.tamu.edu>. No late entries will be accepted. No refunds will be given. **YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED IF YOU MADE IT TO THE DISTRICT COMPETITION IN ORDER TO REGISTER.**

Online Resource for 4-H Club Managers

CLUB ED was developed as a resource for club officers and club managers to gather ideas, management information, ceremonies, inspirations, program ideas, and other great club resources.

CLUB ED is organized month by month in order to make it easier for information gathering. In each month you will find the following pieces of information: Club

Activities, Club Managers Checklist, Community Service Activities, Flag Ceremonies, Ice Breakers, Inspirations, Parent Opportunities and Program Ideas.

CLUB ED is located at <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/clubed/>



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Willacy County 4-H Roundup

Sign up tentative deadline for 4-H Roundup Educational Presentations is March 9, 2020 submit to County Extension Office. Livestock Judging will be April 18th registration TBA.

State Fair Sheep & Goat Validation

Last day to order State Fair Sheep & Goat Validation tags will be April 15, 2020 by 4:00 pm at the Extension Office. Each tag is \$20. These tags are for the STATE FAIR OF TEXAS only. State tags is at a different date.



State Steer Validation

Anyone needing State Steer Validation tags need to have them ordered by April 15th by 4:00 pm at the Extension Office. Each tag is \$20 if you have any questions call 956-689-2412.



Willacy County 4-H Meeting

Willacy County 4-H meeting will be held Tuesday, March 3rd at 6:30 PM at the Willacy County Livestock Show grounds.

Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show

Any 4-H'er who registered under Willacy County 4-H can pick up your RGVLS packets at the 4-H meeting on Monday, March 3rd. If you have any questions about the show please call the office for information.

Youth Loan Opportunity

Livestock projects continue to be some of the largest areas of participation in Texas 4-H. This information may be valuable to many youth and families who need a little financial assistance to start and/or support those projects. You might be able to get local assistance from your county USDA-FSA office including applications and technical assistance in completing them.

USDA-Farm Service Agency makes loans to individual rural youth to establish and operate income-producing projects of modest size in connection with their participation in 4-H clubs. Each project must be part of an organized and supervised program of work. The project must be planned and operated with the help of the organization advisor, produce sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience. You may link onto the web site listed below or contact Ronnie Zamora at (956) 689-2412, Gracie Pena at (956) 381-0916 to answer many common questions about the program which allows for a maximum loan amount of \$5,000 based on the size and type of project being supported.

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafl/youth%20loans.htm>



March



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 4-H Meeting @4 pm at WCLS Grounds | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | 9 All County pho- tography contest entries and Edu- cational presenta- tions are due at Extension Of- fice! | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
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| Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and Rodeo | | | | | | |
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St. Patrick's Day



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Patriotism Through Preparedness

Heat kills by pushing the human body beyond its limits. In extreme heat and high humidity, evaporation is slowed and the body must work extra hard to maintain a normal temperature.

Most heat disorders occur because the victim has been overexposed to heat or has over-exercised for his or her age and physical condition. Older adults, young children, and those who are sick or overweight are more likely to succumb to extreme heat.



Conditions that can induce heat-related ill-

nesses include stagnant atmospheric conditions and poor air quality.

Consequently, people living in urban areas may be at greater risk from the effects of a prolonged heat wave than those living in rural areas.

Also, asphalt and concrete store heat longer and gradually release heat at night, which can produce higher nighttime temperatures known as the “urban heat island effect.”





Willacy County
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