

Presidio County 4-H

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4-H Enrollment Time

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It is time to enroll in 4-H for the 2017-18 year. It will again only be done through 4-H Connect and the yearly membership fee of \$20/member for in effect. As of December 1st, it will be \$25; Clover kids do not have to pay an enrollment fee, but still need to enroll online.

If you were in 4-H previously – you have a profile – please use your email and profile that you had before. If you have forgotten your password 4-H Connect will send you a new one. Please do not create a new profile if you had one.

4-H Connect can be found at texas.4Honline.com

Please contact Reba if you have questions or problems enrolling.



Volunteers and parents also need to enroll on 4-H Connect; there is a \$10 yearly screening fee. The fee can be paid online with a credit or debit card when the volunteer profile is completed. Please contact Reba if you have questions. All adult volunteers who serve in a project or club leadership role who work directly with youth, should be screened. Also, any volunteers who assist in transporting youth in their personal vehicles or who handle 4-H funds should be screened.

Please remember that 4-H has changed our enrollment to be based on the school grade, instead of the age. Please refer to the information listed:

Texas 4-H Member Age Requirements

- Youth may participate in 4-H year from September 1st of grade three through August 31st following completion of grade twelve, with these age restrictions:
- Minimum age - 8 (in addition to being in the 3rd grade)
- Maximum age - 18 (as of August 31, 2017)

Texas 4-H Member Categories

- Junior - Grades 3, 4, and 5
- Intermediate - Grades 6, 7, and 8
- Senior - Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12

Save the Date:

- 11- Kids, Kows & More @ SALE Arena, Alpine
- 18—Rio Grande 4-H Meeting @ PHS Cafeteria, 5 pm
- 21-22—Shooting Sports Coaches Training @ Fort Stockton
- 28—Marfa 4-H Skeet Shoot Fundraiser @ Presidio County Ag Barn
- 29- Goat & Lamb Validation @ Alpine Ag Barn
- 30—Marfa 4-H Meeting @ Ag Barn, 5:15 pm

Presidio County 4-H Campout

Presidio County 4-H's annual campout will be November 3-5 at the Davis Mountains State Park. This two-night trip is family-friendly and open to all Presidio County 4-H families. All 4-H'ers under 13 must have an adult present.

Cost will be \$25/person under 12 or \$40/person over 12 and includes park fees and 5 meals. If you have special dietary needs, you will need to plan accordingly.

All activities will take place at the DMSP.

Please RSVP by October 20 to the county office.



Shooting Sports

The 4-H Shooting Sports Project is a comprehensive introduction to shooting sports safety and the fundamentals of shooting disciplines, including: archery, rifle, shotgun, pistol, muzzleloading, and hunting. The project requires the presence and supervision of trained and certified volunteer coaches. Therefore, not all disciplines are offered in all counties. Presidio County has certified coaches for Rifle, Archery and shotgun. Also, since direct supervision by certified coaches is a requirement, this program does not allow individual

participation. The minimum age to participate in 4-H Shooting Sports, is enrolled in the 3rd grade. Presidio County Shooting Sports coaches will soon be meeting to secure locations and set 2018 dates for project start-up, including: 3-position indoor rifle, archery, and shotgun projects. More details will follow in upcoming newsletters. If you are interested in participating in 4-H Shooting Sports, call the County Extension Office and place your name and which disciplines you are interested in on the "intent to participate" list.



Archery

Tuesdays @ 5:30
Ag Barn—Marfa

Rifle

Mondays @ 5:30
Ag Barn—Marfa

Shooting Sports Coaches Training

The D6 4-H Youth Development program will be hosting a 4-H Shooting Sports Coaches Training in the four disciplines of archery, pistol, rifle, and shotgun in Fort Stockton on October 21-22. Register online by October 10th to attend.

Individuals **MUST** be an active 4-H member or volunteer in 4-H Connect in order to register for the event. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Don't delay setting up a profile in 4-H Connect for the 2017-18 4-H year. Acceptance of members and volunteers is a timely process.

District 6 Fall Round Up

District 6 Fall Round-Up will be held Friday, December 1 and Saturday, December 2 in Big Spring at Howard College. Friday's events will be Quiz Bowl contests. Saturday's events will include consumer decision making, educational presentations, entomology ID, food challenge, food show, public speaking and share-the-fun.

If you're interested in participating in any competition at fall round-up, please contact the extension office to sign up. Practices will be arranged based on location and number of students who sign up.

Quiz Bowl: This is an exciting, fast paced contest for youth to display their knowledge of Beef, Horse, or Food and Nutrition. The bowl is played as a double elimination tournament with teams of three to four players going head-to-head for top honors.

Consumer Decision Making: This contest is based on the skills of consumer observation, comparison, and the ability to make a fact-based purchases This contest includes judging classes and oral reasons.

Educational Presentations: 4-H members will give an educational presentation on a selected topics. Individuals or teams of up to five demonstrate poise, presentation skills, and knowledge in various project areas.

Entomology ID: This contest provides an opportunity to explore the exciting world of insects. 4-H members will identify selected insects and complete a written examination on insects.

Food Challenge: This contest that allows 4-H members to demonstrate their culinary knowledge and skills. From a set of ingredients provided, teams of 3 to 5 members must develop a recipe and prepare the dish. Teams then make a presentation to a judging panel, explaining the preparation steps, serving size, nutritional value, and cost of the dish.

Food Show: The Food Show provides an opportunity for 4-H contestants to showcase their culinary, presentation and interview skills. Participants compete in one of four food categories: protein, fruits and vegetables, grains, and dairy. This year's theme is "Fresh from the Farm".

Public Speaking: Individuals will present a 5-to-7 minute talk suitable as a platform speech or radio broadcast. The presentation should serve to persuade others regarding a particular issue or concern.

Share-the-Fun: This contest showcases 4-H'ers talents in Celebrate 4-H, Choreographed Routines, Dramey, Musical/ Instrumental , Poetry/Prose, Solo/Band Performance, and Vocal categories. Members can participate as individuals or on a team.

Livestock

Lambs/Goats

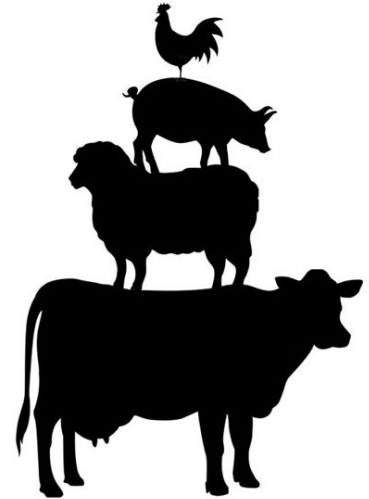
- Tags have been ordered. Validation - Oct. 29 at the Alpine Ag Barn
- Goats at 1:00 pm • Lambs at 2:30 pm
- Procedure - Ear tag, nose print, tattoo, DNA Sample, & complete forms.

Swine

- Validation—Nov. 19 @ Alpine Ag Barn from 1-3 PM
- Procedure - Ear tag, identify ear notches, DNA sample, and complete forms.

Chickens

- Showmanship Clinic—Nov 5 @ Presidio County Ag Barn from 2-4 pm.



Stock Show Entries

Please contact the county extension office if you are planning to attend the Big Bend Livestock Show.

Entries for Major Livestock Shows: Sandhills, Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, Austin and San Angelo; will be taken November 6, 7, 8, & 9. Watch for more details and begin making plans and hotel reservations.

Sandhills, Odessa www.sandhillsstockshowandrodeo.com

Southwest Junior Livestock Show, Ft. Worth www.fwssr.com

San Antonio Livestock Exposition www.sarodeo.com

San Angelo Livestock Show www.sanangelorodeo.com

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo www.rodeohouston.com

Star of Texas Livestock Show, Austin www.rodeoaustin.com

BBLSA Meeting
10/16 @ 5:30
Big Bend Telephone

Goat & Lamb Validation
10/29 @ Alpine Ag Barn
Goats @ 1:00
Lambs @ 2:30

Swine Validation
11/19 @ Alpine Ag Barn
1:00—3:00

Veterinary Science Project Meeting

For those of you who are interested in a career related to Veterinary Medicine, this project is for you. The preparatory training for the veterinary assistant provides students with the knowledge, motivation, and skills necessary to pursue their educational and career goals. This program provides a sound platform for students who wish to pursue an associate, undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in the veterinary science field.

Our informational meeting for this year will be held on Thursday, October 26 from 5:30 -6:30 pm at the County Extension Office. We will plan monthly meeting dates for the year at this time. We meet for monthly meetings, covering different veterinary science topics as well as occasional tours.

We are still searching for an adult leader for this project, if you're interested, please contact Reba for more information.





Junior Leadership Retreat

November 10-12, 2017

Texas 4-H Center
Lake Brownwood, Texas



Dance Theme: Super Heroes

Sessions led by Texas 4-H Council Members

- Outdoor Cooking
 - Community Service
 - Robotics
 - Duds to Dazzle
 - Wildlife Education
- Registration includes lodging and meals
 - To register, visit the Texas 4-H Center web site: texas4hcenter.tamu.edu
 - Click on the "Register Now" link
 - \$120 for youth in 3rd-8th grade, \$90 for adults
 - Early Registration is open from Sep. 1- Oct. 27, 2017
 - Late fees apply after Oct. 27
 - Each county is responsible for providing adult chaperones



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October 21 Marfa 4-H will be doing a Park Clean-Up as part of the One Day 4-H program. We will meet at the park across from the courthouse on Lincoln Street. Bring gloves and yard equipment to help.



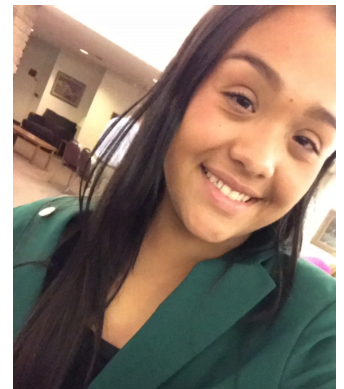
State Council Delegate

Brielle Gonzales is the 17-year-old daughter of Gilbert and Lorinda Gonzales, of Marfa. Brielle is a junior at Marfa High School and has been in 4-H for nine years.

She has served on the District 6 4-H Council since June of 2016, being elected as the Health and Safety officer and the Delegate at Large. This year, she will also serve on the State 4-H Council.

Brielle's main projects in 4-H are Share-The-Fun Vocal performance, Science, Engineering and Technology, and Industrial Arts (Welding).

Upon graduation, Brielle hopes to pursue a degree in Nursing.



Brielle Gonzales, of Marfa, Serving on State 4-H Council