



Brazos County 4-H Newsletter

April 2024



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Highlights

April:

- 2:** County Council Officer Applications **DUE**
- 3:** Big Time in D9 & D9 Livestock, Meats, Soil Judging **DUE**
- 6:** D9 Horse Judging & Shooting Sports Contest
- 9:** Officer Candidate Interviews
- 16:** Council Officer Elections
- 18:** TCFE Event
- 20:** D9 Livestock, Meats, & Soil Judging Contests
- 26-27:** Big Time in D9
- 30:** Record Book Workshop

May:

- 13:** State Roundup Entries **DUE**
- 15:** Leadership Lab **DUE**
- 21:** Youth & Adult Leaders Meeting



**We are about halfway
through the 4-H Year!
But it is not too late to
ENROLL or RE-ENROLL.**

Enroll or Re-Enroll Here:

<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

Important Reminder

The Brazos County 4-H Adult Leaders would like to recognize our outstanding senior age division youth who qualify for a National 4-H Contest and/or National 4-H Trip. We readily understand and appreciate the time, effort, and hard work it takes to advance to the national level. Each of you make us proud! Thank you for representing the Brazos County 4-H Program! With that being said, The Brazos County 4-H Adult Leaders organization has voted to increase the amount given to senior age division 4-H members attending a qualified National 4-H Trip or qualified National 4-H Contest to \$1,000 per trip. The 4-H member must have participated in at least one fundraiser for the Brazos County 4-H Adult Leaders. The fundraisers include selling pecan and peanuts in the fall or baking a cake/cookie/pie/cobbler for the 4-H cake show in the summer. Eligibility will be verified with the Brazos County Extension Office. The 4-H member is required to attend the adult leaders meeting after their trip or contest to only describe the trip and what they learned. The \$1,000 will be paid after the requirements are completed. A copy of the paid invoice must be sent to the Brazos County Extension Office to this email address: lane.smith96@gmail.com. Any questions, please send to the Brazos County Extension Office.



Meet our 2023-2024 County Council Officers





Brazos County Council Meetings

Oct
17

Program- fashion & Interior
Design project & Costume
Contest

Dec
19

Brazos County Christmas Party-
NOT an official Meeting, no business discussed

Jan
16

Program- Souper Bowl of Caring

Apr
16

Program- Officer Elections
2024-2025

May
21

Program- Officer Installation



BRAZOS VALLEY FAIR & RODEO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



APPLICATIONS OPEN

Elegibility Criteria:

- Resident of the Brazos Valley ✓
- Active participant at the BVFR ✓
- High School Jr. or Sr. ✓
- Complete Application ✓



More Info:

979-823-BVFR



BRAZOSVALLEYFAIR.COM



[Click HERE for the General
Scholarship Application](#)

[Click HERE for the Texas Star
Scholarship Application](#)



2024 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



**APPLICATIONS ARE
NOW OPEN!**

Offering a total of \$20,000 for
**BACCALAUREATE
and TECHNICAL
scholarships in 2024!**

IMPORTANT DATES

- **MARCH 1, 2024:** Application Opens
- **APRIL 30, 2024:** Application Closes
- **MAY 31, 2024:** Recipient Selection & Notification
- **JUNE 20, 2024:** Scholarship Banquet
- Scholarship paid to Registrar's Office to be distributed **SPRING SEMESTER OF 2025**

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

- Be a child, grandchild, or legal dependent of an active member of Producers Cooperative Association that is in good standing.
- Be a graduating high school senior and have been accepted at an accredited Texas college, university, or technical school, enrolled in the first year of higher education.
- Been involved in 4-H or FFA for at least the last three years. A background in agriculture will be demonstrated in application.

Scan Here



for the scholarship application!

For more details:



979-778-6000



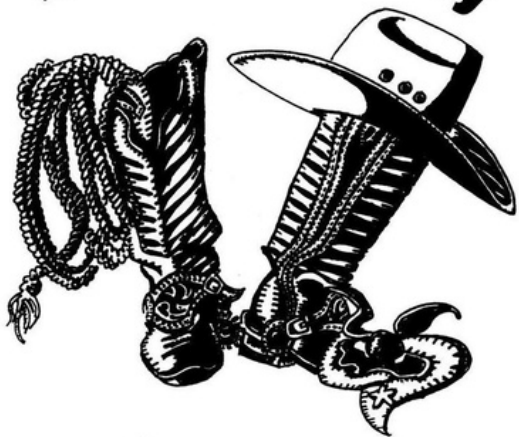
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Bryan, Texas 77803



www.producerscooperative.com



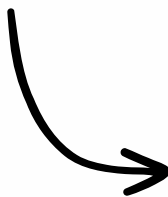
Brazos County



Go Texan

**SCHOLARSHIPS
ARE OPEN
NOW!**

**SCAN OR CLICK THE QR
CODE TO APPLY!**



APPLICATION CLOSES JUNE 1



Member Recognition



SEND US YOUR PICTURES!



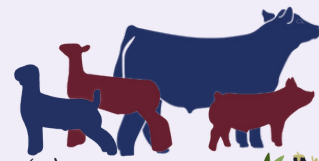
EMAIL PICTURES TO ASHLEIGH.SUGG@AG.TAMU.EDU

Be sure to include team member (or individual) names & a short description of the event in the email.



Livestock Judging Teams

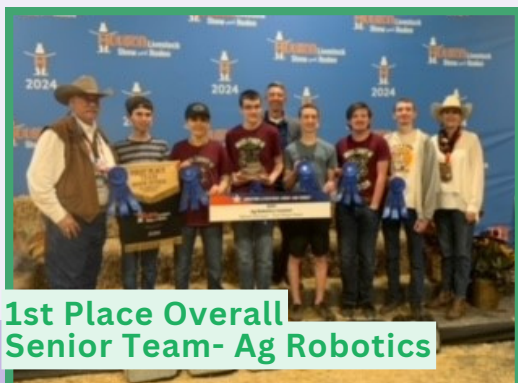
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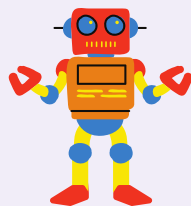
Rodeo Austin



Ag Product ID



1st Place Overall Senior Team- Ag Robotics



HLSR



Member Recognition



Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo



1st place category, 4th place overall senior team- Cooper, Aubrey, Olivia, Zach



LIVESTOCK JUDGING



2nd place category senior team- Mark, Caitlin, Ethan, Carson



LIVESTOCK QUIZBOWL



1st place category, 1st place overall junior team- Jake, Lance, Lainey, & Logan



MEAT JUDGING



4th place category junior team- Luke, Avery, Brylnee

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Member Recognition



County FCH Quizbowl & CDM Contest



1st place Jr. CDM Team- Bree, Jake, Lily, & Ethan



1st place Sr. CDM Team- Brynnly, Grace, Jacey, & Gavin



1st place Jr. FCH QB Team- Teddy, Fred, Brynlee, & Kailey



2nd place Jr. FCH QB Team- Abigail, Haelee, Emma, & Luke



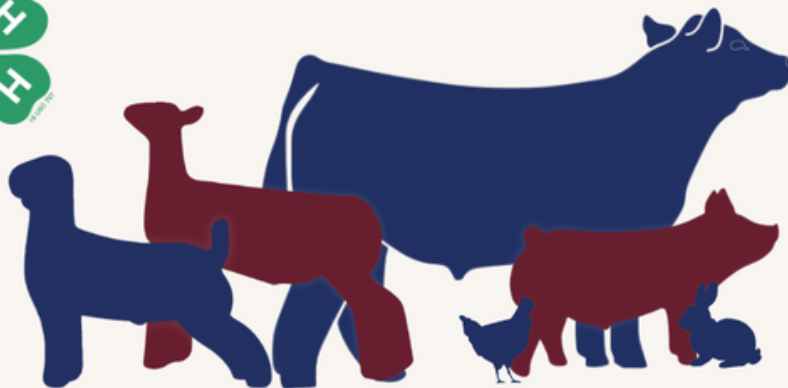
1st place Sr. FCH QB Team- Ethan, William, & Olivia



2nd place Jr. FCH QB Team- Christiana, Emma, & Zach

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR BCYLS SUCCESS!

Success comes in many forms. As we wrap up the Brazos County Youth Livestock Show, we want to celebrate your success with you! Whether it's in the form of banners & buckles or experiences & memories, congratulations to ALL our members on another successful BCYLS!



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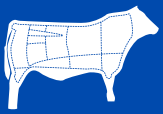
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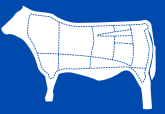
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Ag & Livestock



Beef Cattle
 Dairy Cattle
 Dog Care & Training
 Goats (Dairy & Mohair)

Livestock Judging
 Meat Science
 Poultry (Chickens & Turkeys)
 Rabbits

Goats (Meat)
 Horse
 Horticulture
 Junior Master Gardener

Sheep
 Soil & Crop Science
 Swine
 Veterinary Science

Important Summer Livestock Validation Dates & Deadlines

HEIFERS

Tag Orders:
DUE April 3
\$27/tag
Validation:
TBD

STEERS

Tag Orders:
DUE April 3
\$27/tag
Validation:
TBD

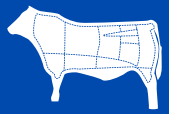
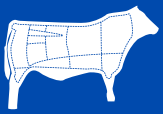
**ALL
 BARROWS,
 REGISTERED
 GILTS, &
 CROSSBRED
 GILTS
 MUST BE
 VALIDATED
 TO SHOW AT
 SFT & HOT**

SWINE

Tag Orders:
DUE April 22
\$17/tag
Validation:
TBD

SHEEP & GOAT

Tag Orders:
DUE April 3
\$17/tag
Validation:
TBD



District 9 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

April 20, 2024

Location: Louis Pearce Pavilion
555 George Bush Dr W, College Station, TX

Registration Opens: March 20, 2024
Registration Deadline: April 3, 2024
Register via 4hOnline

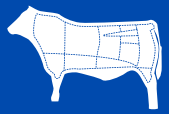
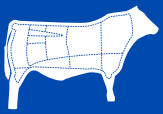
Entry Fee: \$25.00 per contestant

For more information please go to:
<https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/livestock-judging/>

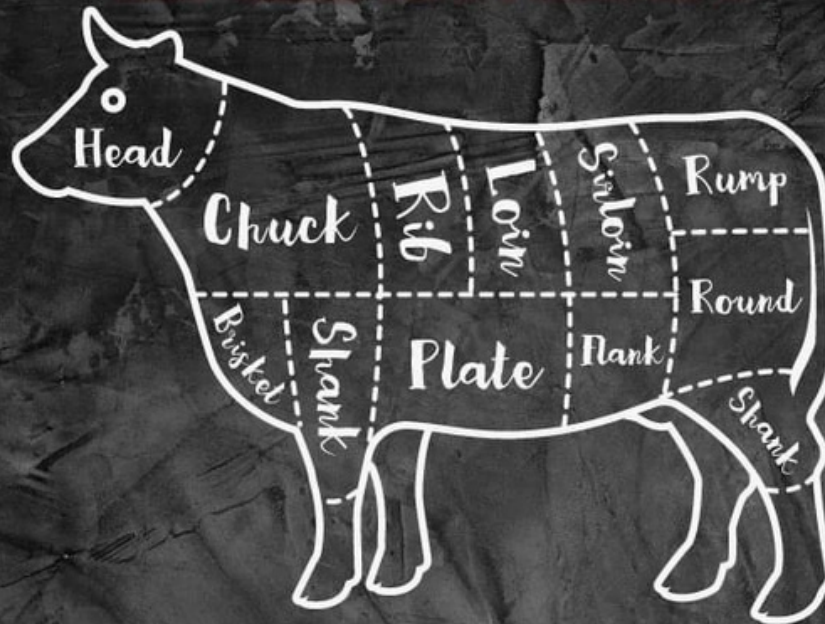


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2024 DISTRICT 9 4-H MEAT JUDGING CONTEST APRIL 20, 2024



Registration opens: March 20, 2024

Registration closes: April 3, 2024

Register via 4hOnline

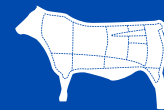
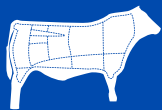
\$25.00 per contestant



For more information: <https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/meats-identification-and-evaluation/>

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AGRI LIFE
EXTENSION

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The Next Generation

2024 PROGRAM DATES

PHASE I

TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR SHORT COURSES

Texas A&M University-Kingsville

June 17-20, 2024

Texas A&M University

July 15-18, 2024

West Texas A&M University/Texas Tech University

July 22-25, 2024

TEXAS 4-H EQUINE AMBASSADOR SHORT COURSE

Texas Tech University

June 10-13, 2024

TEXAS 4-H POULTRY AMBASSADOR SHORT COURSE

Texas A&M University

June 24-27, 2024

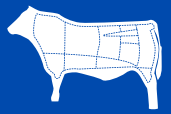
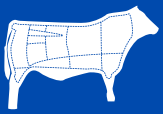
PHASE II

TEXAS 4-H ADVOCACY ACADEMY

Texas Capitol - Austin, TX

July 1-3, 2024

APPLICATIONS OPEN FEBRUARY 15TH / CLOSE APRIL 15TH



Brazos County Youth Commercial Heifer Show & Sale

October 12, 2024

Important Dates

Tag In April 13, 8 AM

Palpation Sept. 19, by 5 PM

Arrival Oct. 10, by 5 PM

Judging Oct. 11, 2 PM

Interview Oct. 12, TBD

Sale Oct. 12, 2 PM

start
purchasing
heifers
NOW!

Contact
committee
Chairman,
Josh Kinslow
(979-574-7914)
with any
questions!



MAY 11, 2024 | BUC DAYS FESTIVAL GROUNDS | CORPUS CHRISTI, TX

BUC DAYS FOOD Challenge



Age Divisions: Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Registration Open to 4-H, FFA and FCCLA

\$75 per team

Limited to 25 teams per age division



More Info at BucDays.com

*Event Contact: Elyse Suckley
Competitions & Marketing Coordinator
Elyse@BucDays.com*



\$7,500

**IN PRIZE MONEY
AWARDED AT EVENT**



Natural Resources



Aquatic Science
Entomology
Forestry

Outdoor Education & Living
Range Science

Shooting Sports
Sportfishing

Water Conservation
Wildlife & Fisheries

EXPLORE *Outdoor Education*

CEA AND VOLUNTEER OUTDOOR EDUCATION/HUNTING PROJECT TRAINING MAY 22ND- 23RD ALPINE TX



Certifications

Hunter Education Instructor,
4-H Outdoor Education/Hunting
Project certification with Archery,
Muzzle Loading, Shotgun, Rifle.



Introduction to 4-H contests

Learn how to train for Wildlife
Contest, Wildlife Challenge,
Outdoor Challenge and WHEP.



Cost

Hotel Parker is offering rooms for
\$107.00 just mention you are with the
TAMU Group Call: 432-837-1100
The program fee is **\$35.00**
(includes lunch both days)

REGISTER NOW

**4-H Online Registration is March 25-
April 30th**

For any inquiries, kindly direct them to
[Larry.hysmith@ag.tamu.edu/](mailto:Larry.hysmith@ag.tamu.edu)
[Travis.Bell@ag.tamu.edu.](mailto:Travis.Bell@ag.tamu.edu)





FRIENDS - FOOD - FAMILY FUN
SUPPORT TOM GREEN COUNTY 4-H ARCHERY CLUB!

3D ARCHERY

Shoot



SPONSORED BY:



SATURDAY
APRIL 6



PRE REGISTRATION @
REGISTRATION-DAY OF / 8 AM
9 AM START

ENTRY FEE

ADULT/\$25 YOUTH/\$15

3 YOUTH DIVISIONS & ADULTS
BARE BOW, RECURVE, GENESIS & COMPOUND AIDED
BUCKLES FOR 1ST IN EACH DIVISION
RAFFLES, DOORPRIZES & \$10 LUNCH BY DREI BRUDERES



AT TGC4HSS ARCHERY RANGE
JUST DOWN FROM TOM GREEN 4H CENTER
IN FRONT OF THE NEW TGC JAIL ON HWY 277
SAN ANGELO, TX

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
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ERIC TANNER 325-262-3155



Citizenship
Community Service

Global Education Awareness
Leadership

Public Speaking
Theater & Performing Arts

Workforce Preparation
Youth Entrepreneurship

FREE EVENT



BIKE RODEO



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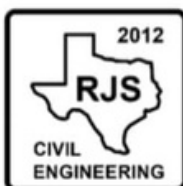
agility course ★ safety brief ★ raffle drawings



When: Saturday, April 20, 2024
Where: Bryan Municipal Court
Parking Lot
Time: Registration 8:30am-9am
Bike Rodeo 9am-10:30am



Sponsored by:





contact Ashleigh (ashleigh.sugg@ag.tamu.edu) with any questions!

24 25 COUNTY COUNCIL

OFFICER ELECTIONS

APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW

IMPORTANT DATES

Application DUE: 4/2

Candidate Interviews: 4/9

Election Meeting: 4/16

Installation: 5/21

APPLY APPLY APPLY



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, GENDER IDENTITY, OR ANY OTHER CLASSIFICATION PROTECTED BY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW AND WILL STRIVE TO ACHIEVE FULL AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY THROUGHOUT TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE.



Record Book Workshop & Q&A

April 30, 2024
6:00 PM
Brazos County
Extension Office
4153 County Park Ct, Bryan



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension provides equal opportunities in its programs and employment to all persons, regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, age, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.



Parents:

YOU ARE INVITED

TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BRAZOS COUNTY
2024 TEXAS COMMUNITY FUTURES FORUM

WHAT IS TCFF?

- GRASSROOTS FORUM WITH THE PURPOSE OF IDENTIFYING ISSUES IN A COUNTY/COMMUNITY
- ALLOWS FOR ANY CITIZEN TO RAISE AND HELP PRIORITIZE ISSUES
- HELPS TO PLAN EXTENSION PROGRAMMATIC EFFORTS FOR THE NEXT 3-5 YEARS

WHO?

ALL RESIDENTS OF BRAZOS COUNTY ARE INVITED & ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FORUM

WHEN?

APRIL 18TH, 2024
11AM-1PM
A LIGHT LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED,
CALL TO RSVP 979-823-0129 BY APRIL 12

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the County Extension Office at (979) 823-0129 prior to the meeting to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made



SCAN TO
RSVP



WHERE?

BRAZOS COUNTY
EXTENSION OFFICE
4153 COUNTY PARK CT, BRYAN





**BIG TIME
IN D-9**



DISTRICT 9 ROUNDUP

A P R I L 2 6 - 2 7

REGISTRATION DUE:

APRIL 3, 2024

ON 4HONLINE

F R I 2 6

**EDUCATIONAL
PRESENTATIONS**

PUBLIC SPEAKING

**CONSUMER
DECISION MAKING**

FASHION SHOW

**4-H TALENT
SHOWCASE**

FOOD SHOW

**VET SCIENCE
SKILLATHON**

S A T 2 7

**LIVESTOCK
SKILLATHON**

AG ID

**PHOTOGRAPHY
JUDGING**

FOOD CHALLENGE

4-H SCIENCE FAIR

**4-H TALENT
SHOWCASE**

WILDLIFE CHALLENGE

DUDS TO DAZZLE

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

QUIZBOWLS



DISTRICT 9 4-H



SENIOR LEADERSHIP LAB

June 11-13, 2024

Camp Lone Star Pines

GET READY FOR THE WILD WEST



Academic Eligibility



Academic Eligibility Form

This form is requested in accordance with the requirement of the Texas Education Code and in cooperation with the Texas Education Agency and local school board policies.

Instructions: Complete one form per activity. 4-H member should return original form to the County Extension Office.



Find form here: https://brazos.agrilife.org/files/2023/03/Eligility_form_22_23-Fillable.pdf

Next 3 Months

APRIL 2024

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-----|-----|--|---|--|---|---|
| | 1 | 2 APPLICATIONS DUE- 2024-2025 COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICER | 3 ENTRIES DUE- BIG TIME IN D9 D9 LIVESTOCK JUDGING & MEAT JUDGING | 4 | 5 | 6 D9 HORSE JUDGING D9 RIFLE, AIR RIFLE, & AIR PISTOL |
| 7 | 8 | 9 INTERVIEW- COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICER CANDIDATES | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 BCYCHSS TAG IN |
| 14 | 15 | 16 YOUTH & ADULT LEADERS MEETING OFFICER ELECTIONS | 17 | 18 TEXAS COMMUNITY FUTURES FORUM | 19 | 20 BIKE RODEO D9 LIVESTOCK & MEATS JUDGING |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 BIG TIME IN D9 - THE WOODLANDS | 27  |
| 28 | 29 | 30  RECORDBOOK WORKSHOP | | | | |

MAY 2024

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-----|---|--|--|-----|------------------------------|-----|
| | | | 1 DUE- HORSE VALIDATION | 2 | 3 D-9 ROBOTICS CONTEST | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 DUE- STATE ROUNDUP REGISTRATION | 14 | 15 DUE- LEADERSHIP LAB REGISTRATION | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 YOUTH & ADULT LEADERS MEETING OFFICER INSTALLATION | 22 DUE- DISTRICT HORSE SHOW | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27  OFFICE CLOSED | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

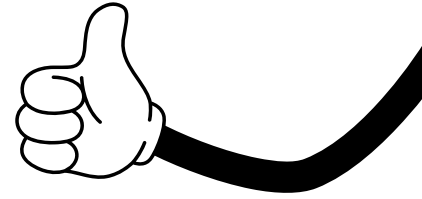
JUNE 2024

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT | |
|-----|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|-----|--|---|
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| 2 | 3 DUE- RECORDBOOKS | TEXAS 4-H ROUNDUP & LEAD ACADEMY- COLLEGE STATION, TX | | | | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 D9 LEADERSHIP LAB - TOMBALL | 13 | 14 | 15 | |
| 16 | 17 D9 HORSE SHOW | 18 | 19 | 20 APPLICATIONS DUE- COUNTY AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS | 21 | 22 TENTATIVE VALIDATION- SUMMER STEER & HEIFER | |
| 23 | 24 TENTATIVE VALIDATION- STATE FAIR/HOT SHEEP, GOAT, SWINE | 25 | 26 COUNTY DAY | 27 CAMPS | 28 | 29 INTERVIEW- COUNTY STAR AWARDS | |
| 30 | | | | | | | |



NEW TO THE CREW

Please help us welcome the two newest additions to our office, Lora & Stephen! Lora is joining us from the Harris County Extension office, where she served as their Better Living for Texans agent & Stephen is making the move from Galveston County Extension, where he served as their Horticulture agent.



Both Lora & Stephen have hit the ground running & brought a wealth of knowledge and experience with them to Brazos County. We are excited to get them involved in the community!



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Brazos County 4-H



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AND HUMAN SCIENCES
Cooperative Extension Program



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