

Duval County 4-H 

# The Duval Message

 May 2009



*Hello everyone. Hope you have a wonderful upcoming summer and that we'll see you in our summer programs. Please read through the Duval County Fair Rules in which there are a lot of changes.*

*Sam Gavito*

**2010 DUVAL COUNTY FAIR  
GENERAL RULES**

The San Diego Rotary Club Board of Directors has made some changes to the **2010 Duval County General Rules.**

To view these changes, please visit the Duval County website at:  
<http://duval-tx.tamu.edu>

At the top of the page you will click on **Publications** then click on **Junior Livestock Show Management** then click on **2010 Duval County Fair Auction General Rules.**

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact your Club Managers and they will have a copy of the General Rules.

**District 12 4-H Horse Show**  
**Saturday, June 20, 2009**  
**Robstown, Texas**

The District 12 4-H Horse Show will be held Saturday, June 20, 2009 at the Richard M. Borchard Regional Fairgrounds located in Robstown. All exhibitors must fulfill the following requirements before they register for this event:

- All horses have been validated
- All futurity horse nominations have been completed and submitted
- All grade horse certifications have been completed and submitted

All this information can be found on the Animal Science website, <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/>

**D-12 4-H Horse Show Registration Process:**

- Registration will be on-line through 4-H CONNECT and will require certification at the county and district level. Detailed registration instructions are enclosed in the Horse Show packet.
- Individual on-line registration will open on April 1<sup>st</sup> and continue through May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Late registration will require a \$30 late fee and will end on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. No refunds will be given to a county or individual. No registrations will be accepted after the June 3<sup>rd</sup> deadline.
- Stall reservations must be made on 4-H CONNECT. Stall fees are \$20/stall and will be reserved on a first come-first served basis.

For more information and questions please contact our office at the Benavides Civic Center or call 361-256-4591.

**Summer Fun!**  
**Duval County 4-H**

# ANNOUNCEMENT!

The Duval County Extension office will soon be going paperless. Newsletters will no longer be mailed out every month. Instead, newsletters will be posted in the Duval County Extension website. However, we are aware that some people may not have access to the internet and we do want to make sure that everybody receives our newsletter. Therefore, we will be conducting a poll to see if you are viewing our newsletters online and so that we can determine if we still need to mail newsletters to some of you. Please contact our office either by telephone or email and let us know if you need us to mail newsletters to you.

Call our office at 361-256-4591  
Email to [s-gavito@tamu.edu](mailto:s-gavito@tamu.edu)  
Website: <http://duval-tx.tamu.edu>



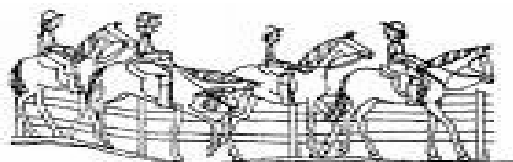
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## 37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SUMMER HORSEMANSHIP SCHOOL PROGRAM

For 36 consecutive years, the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, as part of the Texas A&M University System, has trained and sent instructors to various counties across Texas. The program has played a vital role in the improvement in riding abilities and general knowledge of the participants, advancing leadership and communication skills of the instructors and developing a network of positive relationships throughout the 254 counties in the state. The success of the summer horsemanship schools is largely due to the genuine interest and commitment to help people improve and succeed, regardless of their level of experience.

The Two-Day Horsemanship School Program will be held in Freer at the Adrian Perez residence on Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009. These schools are designed as day schools with instruction from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will be taking 15 children. Please call the office to reserve your slot as soon as possible. The fee will be \$60.00 for the 2-day event.

For any questions concerning this, please feel free to contact Adrian Perez at 361-207-0180 OR Sam Gavito at 361-256-4591.



## 2009 District 12 4-H Leadership Lab T-Shirt Design Contest

ATTENTION: District 12 4-H'ers who are eligible to attend Leadership Lab .... Everybody could be wearing YOUR design creation at our upcoming camp in summer! So get creative and submit your entry TODAY!



Please follow the guidelines below for creating the t-shirt design:

1. Must include the official 4-H Clover.
2. Must include the title and theme of the event:  
2009 District 12 4-H Leadership Lab  
"Often Imitated, Never Duplicated"
4. Design should be single color (text and image).
5. Maximum of 960x960 pixels, should be no larger than 10" x 10".
6. Must be submitted as an electronic version in either of the following formats: JPEG, GIF or TIFF.
7. Single entries only, no group entries will be accepted.
8. Deadline is Monday, May 20, 2009.
9. Submit by e-mailing directly to: [D124h@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:D124h@ag.tamu.edu)  
Please include your name and county on the e-mail.

Winner will receive one complimentary (non-transferrable) registration for District 12 4-H Leadership Lab payable to their respective county 4-H program.

## SWINE VALIDATION INFORMATION 2009 State Fair Validation Program

The deadline for Swine Tag Orders for the 2009 State Fair of Texas Major Livestock Show in September has expired. However, you may order late tags by the deadline of June 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost for late tags is \$12.00 per tag.

For questions or to order tags, please contact Sam Gavito at the Benavides Civic Center or call the office at 361-256-4591.



## **2009 District 12 4-H LEADERSHIP LAB**

District 12 4-H Leadership Lab will be held June 22-25, 2009 at Methodist Camp Thicket in Weslaco. Leadership Lab is open to all 4-H'ers who participate in 4-H clubs, ENP, curriculum enrichment and other 4-H activities. On site registration is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 22 and the program will end on Thursday, June 25 by noon.

**Registration Fees & Deadline:** The total cost for Leadership Lab is \$140.00 per person (this is for room, meals, and program costs). ALL participants attending Leadership Lab must register online through 4-H CONNECT. All entries will be certified by the county and district office. There is no specific quota on how many can attend. Individual online registration will open immediately through the **deadline of May 27, 2009**. A late registration fee of \$25.00 will be assessed to anyone registering after May 27<sup>th</sup>. Late registrations will be accepted through June 3<sup>rd</sup>, there will be no registration allowed after that date or on-site. Substitutions allowed up to the date of late registration (June 3<sup>rd</sup>). No refunds will be given.

**Age Eligibility:** All youth must be at least 12 years of age by June 1, 2009 in order to attend Leadership Lab. All 4-H'ers attending Lab must turn in the following forms at the registration desk at Camp Thicket in Weslaco upon check-in.

- Release, Waiver and Authorization for Medical Treatment
- 4-H Code of Conduct/Consequences of Misbehavior

### **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

#### **Sunday, June 21**

3:00 p.m. Planning Committee and D12 4-H Council Officer's Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Dinner  
7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Review Schedule

#### **Monday, June 22**

7:00 a.m. Breakfast for Officers  
**10:00 a.m. REGISTRATION BEGINS**  
10:30 a.m. District 12 4-H Council Meeting  
12:00 noon Lunch (provided)  
1:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies and Orientation (Rules, Schedule, Directions)  
1:30 – 2:30 p.m. General Session (Guest Speakers)  
2:30 – 3:00 p.m. Mixers and Ice Breakers  
3:00 – 4:50 p.m. Concurrent Sessions  
4:50 – 5:50 p.m. Return to Rooms (Get ready for dinner and dance)  
6:00 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 p.m. Dance (Theme: Blast from the Past)  
10:30 p.m. Vespers  
11:00 p.m. In rooms and lights out

#### **Tuesday, June 23**

8:00 a.m. Breakfast  
8:45 – 11:45 a.m. Planned Recreational Activities  
12:00 noon Lunch  
1:00 – 3:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (includes break)  
4:00 p.m. Planned Recreational Activities  
5:00 p.m. Return to Rooms (Get ready for dinner and dance)  
6:00 p.m. Dinner  
7:00 p.m. Dance (Theme: Flash to the Future)  
11:00 p.m. Vespers  
11:30 p.m. In rooms and lights out

#### **Wednesday, June 24**

8:00 a.m. Breakfast  
8:45 – 11:45 a.m. Planned Recreational Activities  
12:00 noon Lunch  
1:00 – 3:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (includes break)  
4:00 p.m. Planned Recreational Activities  
5:00 p.m. Return to Rooms (Get ready for dinner and dance)  
6:00 p.m. Dinner  
7:00 p.m. Dance (Theme: Video Games)  
11:00 p.m. Vespers  
11:30 p.m. In rooms and lights out

#### **Thursday, June 25**

8:00 a.m. Breakfast  
8:45 a.m. General Assembly (Guest Speaker, Awards and Closing Remarks)  
12:00 noon Clean up rooms and check out. Have a safe trip home!