

July 2023

Otero County 4-H

NEWSLETTER



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4-H Meeting Schedule

4-H Club	Time/Location	Monthly Meeting	Next Meeting
Alamogordo 4-H	6pm @ New Exhibit building - Fairgrounds	2nd Tuesday	July 11
Heritage 4-H	7pm @ Kids Kingdom Park	2nd Tuesday	July 11
Mescalero 4-H	6pm @ first Baptist Ruidoso (Country Club Drive)	1st Sunday	July 9
Mustangs 4-H	6pm @ Fairgrounds Classroom	Last Tuesday	July 25
Sacramento Mountains 4-H	6pm @ Mayhill Volunteer Fire Department	2nd Monday	July 10
Tularosa 4-H	Ruidoso Pool	1st Tuesday	July 23
Wildcats 4-H After-School	5:30pm @ Tularosa Public Schools	3rd Tuesday	July 18
Holloman 4-H Club	6:00pm @ Soaring Heights Community Center @ Holloman AFB	1st Wednesday	July 5



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4-H Age Groups for the 2022- 2023 4-H Year

	*Cloverbud	Novice	Junior	Senior
Grade as of January 1, 2023	Kinder, 1st, 2nd	3rd, 4th, and 5th	6th, 7th	8th and up
Age as of January 1, 2023	5 year olds; 6 year olds; 7 year olds; 8 year olds and in the 2nd grade	8 year olds in the 3rd grade, 9 year olds, 10 year olds, 11 year olds in the 5th grade	11 year olds in the 6th grade; 12 year olds; 13 year olds in the 7th grade	13 year olds in the 8th grade; 14 year olds; 15 year olds; 16 year olds; 17 year olds; 18 year olds; Youth who are 19 by December 31 of the current 4-H year are not eligible to enroll as a 4-H member

The current 4-H program year is October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. Rodeo age requirements vary slightly from other 4-H programs and can be found in the NM 4-H Rodeo Rule Book on the NM 4-H Website.

*While the 4-H Cloverbuds program is a component of the overall 4-H Youth Development program and 4-H Cloverbuds members are recognized as 4-H members for the purposes of enrollment, they are considered to be in a special membership category with regard to programs and policies.

Good Standing

Members, parents and leaders, do you know exactly what 4-H members need to do to be in "good standing"? Do you know what the "good standing" requirements are? If not, please take a moment to check these out now. Don't wait until before the fair (or other events/activities) when you may not have enough time to meet the requirements.

Remember, a 4-H member in good standing is one who has met the following requirements:

- Enrolls in a 4-H Club by February 1, 2023.
- Attends at least 40% of all club meetings held between October 1, 2022 and the date of the event or activity. Some 4-H Clubs require members to attend at least 50% of club meetings. So, be sure to check with your 4-H club leader for the minimum number of club meetings you are required to attend to be considered in "good standing".
- Follows the NM 4-H Conduct and Behavior Expectations of Youth and Adults.

4-H Project Materials

In 4-H, there are numerous projects available to members. Projects include animal science, gardening, photography, foods, clothing, public speaking, creative arts, Cloverbuds and more. A complete list of projects is available on the NM 4-H website. Project materials are available for each 4-H project which include manuals and record forms. Members receive materials by enrolling in the project and requesting materials from the Otero County Extension Service. Leaders may also request project materials to facilitate 4-H project meetings.

Many of the 4-H project materials are available as a digital file (free of charge). In Otero County, the first three printed project materials are provided free of charge to 4-H members and any additional projects cost \$4.00 each. If you would like to request digital or printed project materials, please call (575-437-0231) or email (otero@nmsu.edu) the Otero County Extension Service. There is no deadline for adding a project to your enrollment during the 4-H program year.

Save the Date

OTERO COUNTY

FAIR AND RODEO

Jr. Livestock Schedule

September 19th-24th
TUESDAY 9/19/23

- Check-in/Weigh/Classify 3:00pm-6:00pm
- Mandatory Exhibitor/Parent Meeting directly following classification

WEDNESDAY 9/20/23

- Pig Show 6:00pm

THURSDAY 9/21/23

- Lamb Show 1:00pm
- Goat Show- 30 minutes after Lamb Show
- Old Fashion Fair Night 6:00pm

FRIDAY 9/22/23

- Poultry Show 12:00pm
- Rabbit Show- 30 minutes after Poultry Show
- Cattle Show 5:00pm
- Disposition forms are due 1 (one) hour after Cattle Show

SATURDAY 9/23/23

- Buyer's Supper 4:00pm
- Bovine Bingo 5:00pm
- Junior Livestock Sale 6:00pm

New Mexico State Fair
September 7-17

Southern NM State Fair
September 27- October 1

Eastern NM State Fair
October 2-7

Achievement Day
August 19



Horse Clinic

FREE

For 4-H Youth and
Queens of Otero
County

CLINICIAN: JOBY PRIEST
JULY 15TH @ 8:00AM

PARTICIPANTS MUST BRING THEIR OWN
HORSE(S) TO RIDE



If you are an individual with a disability and need an auxiliary aid or service, please contact Sidney Gordon at 575-437-0231



Buckle Up Show Camps



Lamb & Goat Camp

HOSTED BY HIGH ROLLS MUSTANG 4H



Otero County Fairgrounds

Livestock Barn

Alamogordo, NM

July 15-16 2023

FITTING & CLIPPING
SHOWMANSHIP
FEEDING
HEALTH
SHOW PREP
EXERCISE

\$125 PER CAMPER

FOR DETAILS OR TO REGISTER

CONTACT ERICA LAVIN OR LESLEA HARRIS

575-921-9862

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County 4-H Contest Results

Congratulations to all 4-H members that competed in COunty Contest this year!

And, many thanks to the 4-H leaders and parents that volunteered with contest!

Fashion Revue			Horticulture		
Grant Wold	Mescalero 4-H	Blue Award	Adeline Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Eleanor Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Leah Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Adeline Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Rilinger Allen	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award
Grant Wold	Mescalero 4-H	Blue Award	Cody Phillips	Heritage 4-H	White Award
Adeline Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Eleanor Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Eleanor Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Randi Greene	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award
Leah Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Graham Greene	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award
Leah Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Skoodie Greene	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award
Charli Ramsey	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Ethan Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Eleanor Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Cody Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Julianna Secrest	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Cal Wold	Mescalero 4-H	Blue Award
Amelia Secrest	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Cord Wold	Mescalero 4-H	Blue Award
			Grant Wold	Mescalero 4-H	Blue Award
FCS Skill-A-Thon			Wildlife		
Charli Ramsey	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award			
Leah Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Demi Cereceres	Tularosa 4-H	White Award
Cody Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Adeline Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Mirhonda Good	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Eleanor Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Jewell Singleton	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Elias Pike	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Ethan Phillips	pHeritage 4-H	Blue Award	Caleb Ramsey	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Julianna Secrest	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Gavin Blankenship	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Amelia Secrest	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award			
Consumer Decision Making			Impromptu Public Speaking		
Charli Ramsey	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Randi Greene	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award
Leah Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Red Award			
Rilinger Allen	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award		Rifle	
Cody Phillips	Heritage 4-H	White Award	Rilinger Allen	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award
Mirhonda Good	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Genevieve Hughes	Alamogordo 4-H	Blue Award
Randi Greene	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award		Archery	
Graham Greene	Tularosa 4-H	Blue Award	Rilinger Allen	Tularosa 4-H	White Award
Jewell Singleton	Heritage 4-H	Red Award	Genevieve Hughes	Alamogordo 4-H	White Award
Ethan Phillips	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Demi Cereceres	Tularosa 4-H	Red Award
Julianna Secrest	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Izzy Martin	Alamogordo 4-H	White Award
Amelia Secrest	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Adeline Pike	Heritage 4-H	Red Award
			Aaron Secrest	Heritage 4-H	Red Award
Presentations			John Secrest IV	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award
Charli Ramsey	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Ryatt Satathite	Tularosa 4-H	White Award
Caleb Ramsey	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award	Isaiah Speegle	Heritage 4-H	White Award
			Sarina Yazzie	Alamogordo 4-H	White Award
Livestock Skill-A-Thon			Elias Pike	Heritage 4-H	Red Award
Grant Wold	Mescalero 4-H	White Award			
Caleb Ramsey	Heritage 4-H	Red Award			
Gavin Blankenship	Heritage 4-H	Blue Award			

District Contest

Novice and Junior members traveled to Portales, NM to compete at District Contest. Congratulations to all members that competed.

Archery

5th Place Novice Team Overall:

Demi Cereceres, Izzy Martin, Gennevie Hughes, Ryatt Satathite

Fashion Review

Grant Wold (pants) Mescalero 4-H 3rd
Carli Ramsey (apron) Heritage 4-H 2nd

Consumer Decision Making

5th Place Individual Charli Ramsey

Presentations

2nd Place Novice General Charli Ramsey
1st Place Junior Livestock Caleb Ramsey

Wildlife

1st Place Individual Junior Caleb Ramsey

FCS Skill-A-Thon

1st Place Individual Novice Charli Ramsey

Favorite Foods

5th Place Novice Grant Wold

July County Council Meeting

The next County 4-H Council Meeting is scheduled for:

Thursday, July 20th, 6:30 pm at the Extension Office

Everyone is welcome to attend....but, please be especially sure to send your County 4-H Council club voting representatives!

Project Workshops

A few project workshop opportunities are happening this summer for Novice, Junior and Senior 4-H members. Space is limited and pre-registration is required to attend. Please register with Kelly by calling 575-437-0231 or sending her an email, kelknight@nmsu.edu.



Jams/Jellies

A workshop will be held at the Fairgrounds on Thursday, July 6th, 9am to 11:00am, for the Food Preservation: Water Bath Canning 4-H project. 4-H members will make a jam or jelly which may be exhibited in annual 4-H Achievement Day in August. There is a supply fee charge of \$5.00 for the cost of the jam/jelly ingredients.

Baking I



A workshop will be held at the Fairgrounds on Wednesday, July 19th, 9:30am to 12:00noon for the Baking I 4-H project. 4-H members will make two baking recipes which may be exhibited in annual 4-H Achievement Day in August. There is a supply fee charge of \$5.00 for the cost of the ingredients.



Jewelry

A jewelry making project workshop will be held at the Otero County Extension Office Monday, July 24th, 1:30pm – 4:00pm Tuesday, July 25th, 9:30am – 12:00noon The workshop will be offered twice (July 24th and July 25th), but the content covered on both dates is the same. 4-H members will create two items from the jewelry project and both items may be exhibited in the annual 4-H Achievement Day in August. There is a supply fee charge of \$5.00 for the workshop.

Housing & Interior Design



A workshop will be held at the Fairgrounds on Thursday, July 27th, 9:30 – 12noon for the Housing & Interior Design project. 4-H members will make two exhibits which may be exhibited in the annual 4-H Achievement Day in August. There is a supply fee charge of \$5.00 for the workshop.

NM State Fair Youth Officials

Senior age 4-H members have the opportunity to serve as State Fair Youth Officials. Members can apply to come to State Fair early and assist with 4-H indoor exhibits. Youth Officials will help take in county entries, organize exhibits, assist judges, and complete exhibit displays for the State Fair.

Lodging and meals will be provided for those selected. Youth Officials will need to arrive Tuesday, September 5, at 11:00am.

They will serve through Thursday, September 7, at noon. Transportation to and from the NM State Fair are the responsibility of the Youth Official's parent. Please contact Kalie in the Extension Office, 575-437-0231, if you would like an application.

NM State 4-H Food Challenge

Novice, Junior, and Senior 4-H members are able to participate in the State 4-H Food Challenge at New Mexico State Fair on September 16th in teams of 3-5 per age group. Each team will have at least three and no more than five members. On a senior team, every team member must be senior age. A novice may participate on a junior team, but if even one junior is on a team, the entire team must compete in the junior division. Under no circumstances will a participant be allowed to compete at a lower age level. Cost per team is \$15.00. Transportation, meals, and lodging to and from the NM State Fair are the responsibility of the member's parent.

Please contact Kalie or Kelly in the Extension Office, 575-437-0231, if you are interested no later than August 1st.

2023 State 4-H Buckle Orders



Buckles are \$80.00 a piece. Please allow for 4-6 weeks before receiving the buckled for production and shipping. Payment can be made with a check or money order. Make checks or money orders payable to the NM State 4-H Foundation. Please send order form and payment to NM State 4-H Office, PO Box 30003, MSC 3AE, Las Cruces, NM 88003.

Profits will benefit the NM State 4-H Leadership Team.

4-H Indoor Project Exhibit Update

Prepare Your Indoor 4-H Project Exhibits

All 4-H members who enrolled by February 1st of this year are eligible to enter exhibits in the Otero County 4-H Achievement Day at the Otero County Fairgrounds. As you prepare your 4-H exhibits for the Otero County 4-H Achievement Day be sure to follow the standards outlined in your 4-H project books and the Indoor 4-H Project Exhibits Rules and Class Descriptions. The rules and class descriptions are available from the Extension Office or can be downloaded from the website. 4-H members entering indoor 4-H project exhibits at the Otero County 4-H Achievement Day are eligible to win many awards including ribbons, rosettes, and plaques. In addition, a belt buckle and duffle bag will be awarded to the Champion and Reserve Champion exhibitors in each age division, Novice, Junior, and Senior.

Remember: posters, display boards, vertical displays, project specific boards, and photography exhibits all have specific size rules that can be found in the Indoor 4-H Project Exhibits Rules and Class Descriptions. A 4-H member must be in good standing with their 4-H Club to be eligible to enter indoor 4-H exhibits. Also, 4-Hers must be enrolled in the respective projects for exhibits entered. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and completed during the current 4-H year ('22-'23).

4-H members are strongly encouraged to pre-register their exhibits and a registration form is now posted on the Otero County Extension Service website. 4-H members not pre-registering exhibits will be responsible for completing their entry tags upon delivery of exhibits to the Extension Office. If you have any questions regarding indoor 4-H exhibits contact Kelly in the Extension Office, 575-437-0231

Delivery Days for Otero County 4-H Achievement Day

Indoor 4-H project exhibits are to be delivered to the Extension Office on Monday, August 14, 2023, 8am-7pm, except nutrition/baking exhibits. Nutrition/baking exhibits are to be delivered to the Extension Office on Thursday, August 17th, 8am-7pm, or Friday, August 18th, 7:30am-10am. If the scheduled delivery days do not work for you, please contact Kelly in the Extension Office, to make other arrangements for early delivery of your 4-H project exhibits.

Viewing of Exhibits and 4-H Family Night

Viewing of exhibits and an awards program will be held on Saturday, August 19th. Viewing will start at 5:00pm, awards will be held at 6:00pm, pizza, tasting of baked good exhibits, and a dance will follow.

4-H FCS Lettermen 2023 State Photography Contest

Any 4-H member who is active in Family and Consumer Sciences Projects may “letter” in Family and Consumer Sciences. All that is necessary to “letter” is to complete the requirements in their age level and submit the appropriate forms to the Otero County Extension Office by September 1. The first year a member letters they receive a “clover” letter as you would see on a lettermen jacket. Bronze, Silver, and Gold pins in the shape of the letter “H” are awarded in the respective age levels. A member can “letter” at any time, even if they did not begin as a Novice, but they will receive the pin for the appropriate age level.

In addition, two platinum letters will be awarded each year in the form of a plaque. The platinum letters are based on overall achievement and may be received at any age level. Platinum awards are selected from all applications submitted in that 4-H program year. For information on how to “letter” and appropriate application forms, refer to the NM 4-H website.

Show off your photography skills in the 2023 state 4-H Photography Contest. The categories for this year are 4-H, Animals, People, Landscapes, Buildings, and Other. For more information, please see the NMSU 4-H page.

Members may submit a total of 3 entries. Each entry must contain name, club, county, name of photograph, category, location of photograph, and contact number/email. Entries can be black or white but not edited or photoshopped pictures. Do not mail matted or framed pictures. Photos will not be returned. If you would like a copy please retain one. Photos must be the work of the 4-H member taken during the current 4-H year. Entries will be submitted via Facebook or by mailing to the State 4-H Office, MSC 3AE, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM 88003-8003 by August 1st.

Save the Date New Mexico 4-H Adult Forum 2023



Theme:
*Where in the World
is Chris Clover?*

Date:
November 11, 2023

Location:
Las Cruces, NM



Happy 4th of July!



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