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Don't Forget!

The next meeting of the Doña Ana County 4-H Council will be Tuesday, May 12th, 2009 at 7PM at the CEO. The next Exec. meeting will be Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at the CEO at 7PM.



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6th Annual Dona Ana County 4-H Talent Show April 25th.

The 4-H Talent Show is just around the corner, so get with you friends and start rehearsing! It will be held **Saturday, April 25th, 2009 at 6:30 PM at the Gerald Thomas Auditorium, located on the NMSU Campus.**

4-H Conference in July. There is no District Talent Contest at this time. However, Novices and Juniors are encouraged to compete at the County Level and will still receive awards.

Pick up information and entry forms from you Club Leader, the County Extension Office or you can visit donaanaextension.nmsu.edu.

Once again, there are 7 different categories to compete in: Comedian, Poet, Vocal, Musical, Choreographed Routines, Drama and Celebrate 4-H. Senior members will be qualified to compete at State

Deadline to enter is April 20, 2009- So Hurry!

2009 Kids, Kows & More



Kids, Kows & More was held on April 1st and 2nd at the Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum. More than 600 students and adults from Hillrise, Mesilla, Mesilla Park, Alameda, Valley View, Hermosa Heights and White Sands Elementary Schools learned about the food and fiber industry and the importance of food safety. Kids & Kows & More was a HUGE SUCCESS thanks to your help!

Club Corner

Desert Clover 4-H Club

Submitted by: Kerry Dickson

Desert Clover is busy getting ready for county shooting sports contest and, having lots of practices for the shooting sports members. We will have our first meeting for Welcome to NM 4-H on April 8. Our community service project for April is highway cleanup on Saturday, April 18 at 8:00 am. Thank you to all of you that helped make the gift boxes for the Soldiers a wonderful success. We packed gum, candy, socks, and other items that we thought the soldiers would need. A very special thank you and job well done goes to Lily Woodall for coordinating this community service, and getting all of the GREAT donations to send. Our next meeting will be on April 20th.

H BAR C 4-H Club:

Submitted by Justin Mims

Our pig sale is still set for May 9th at the SNMS Fairgrounds. We are still looking for an auctioneer, but we will have a concession stand run by the 10x shooting club. The proceeds going to the expense of YHEC shooting club. Our club has been busy raising funds for the UNMH cancer research program. We have collected \$100.00 to be donated in our clubs name. For brag time, our own Corie and Cody Britton both went to the tumbleweed jackpot and won last place. Also, Lane and Callie Houser went to horse lessons and did great! We are sending a warm welcome to our newest members Kayla, Brandy and Mando Montoya. We hope you have a great year. We will have our next 4H meeting on April 16th. We will keep you posted with more pig sale updates.

Taylor Road Turkeys 4-H Club

Submitted by: Sharlae Brown

The Taylor Road Turkeys have been busy! We made trail mix for the Bataan Memorial Death March. We also assisted at the White Sands 4-H water station where we handed the water out to the walkers. We have had quite a few shooting sports practices and all of our kids have done very well. We are getting prepared for the Talent Show and our kids are excited to show their stuff!! All of our novice's are doing a 4-H skit. Our club is donating \$100 for the cancer research challenge. We discussed upcoming events and some of our kids are going to Youth-Get-Away which should be tons of fun!

City Slickers 4-H Club

Submitted by Elena Davidson

The City Slickers 4-H Club was very successful with their club rummage sale held on February 28th. They earned a lot of money for their club from the rummage sale and donated the proceeds from their bake sale to the soup kitchen.

At the last meeting, the members signed up for all their projects. They also discussed what they would be doing in their projects and what county/district competitions they would be competing in.

Several members attended the 2009 Leadership Training on February 21. It was very fun and the members learned a lot from the training.

Some projects have already begun. These projects include Sewing I and II, Mix and Match I & II, Knitting, Public Speaking, Horticulture, and Shooting Sports.

The next Club meeting is planned for May 23, 2009 at the County Extension Office.

Valle Verde 4-H Club

Valle Verde 4-H Club has been having Shooting Practice every week to get ready for the Shooting Sports Contest. Baking workshops were held during Spring Break and members learned to judge their muffins. Our Cloverbuds had a lot of fun making crystal gardens, Snack Mix, birdseed pinecones and flying kites....so much fun the older 4-H members wanted to join and they did! We had several members serve as Junior Leaders for Fun-fest: Briana Montano, Kelsey Taylor Adelina Garcia and Britt Martinez. Briana, Britt and Kelsey led a workshop on Horticulture Judging. Valle Verde Club, led by Adelina, Britt, Briana, Kelsey and Mr. Thomen put on a Cast Iron Cooking Workshop, showing 4-Hers how to make Cowpuncher Stew, Fruit Cobbler and Cornbread. Britt showcased his Sports Fishing Project, Briana showcased the ceramics project. Novice members attending Fun-fest were: Kaitlyn Taylor, Brenden Martinez, Sierra Williams, Emilee Montoya, Colton Lind, John Pena, Raena Gallegos. Emilee Montoya entered the Pecan Fantasy Contest and won 2nd place with her cake. Three members participated in the County Contests held at LCHS on March 21: Erica Duran, Wool and Horse; Veronica Alba, Live-stock; Kelsey Taylor, Wool. It was a busy March and members are looking forward to April!

Scholarship Information

The following is an available scholarship and it ' s deadlines. Please come by the office to pick up an application or visit <http://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/scholarships.html>
NM Wood Growers– Deadline is May 15, 2009.

Ridgerunners 4-H club

It's going into spring and we have a lot of things and ideas that the Ridgerunner's club has come up with. At the last meeting, we talked about the Treasurer's report and balance of the clubs money and about the Rocket project we did for the February meeting. For the Shooting sports, the contest is on the 4th and 5th of April. Good luck to all shooters! The Pancake Breakfast will be on April 25th starting from 9 am. to 11 a.m. at the Santa Teresa Volunteer Fire Station at 101 Teresa Paseo. The pre-clean- up will be April 24 at 5 pm. The members are already selling the tickets. Anyone wanting to buy tickets call 575-874-9213 or 575-642-5834. For Family Night, the club will donate 5 baskets for the dance. Items will be brought in at monthly meetings and when the day gets closer we can plan a day when we can put everything together. State 4-H Leadership team has put out a challenge for each club to raise \$100.00 to donate to cancer. The Ridgerunner plan on meeting this challenge and are planning on ways to fundraise.

All of our officers are doing a great job. If there are any Ridgerunners that want to put information in the Roving Clover please get it to Diandra before the 20th of each month.

Don't forget! May 1st is the deadline for any changes (additions, deletions, etc.) to your 4-H enrollment! That is right around the corner!



Ridgerunners 4-H Pancake Sale

Saturday, April 25, 2009

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Located at:

Santa Teresa Volunteer Fire Station
101 Teresa Paseo Dr.
Santa Teresa, NM

\$5.00 cash

(\$1.00 of each ticket sold goes to the
Fire Department)

Pancakes, bacon and/or sausage
Coffee or juice

For more information call:
(575) 874-9213 or (575)642-5834

Bullseye 4-H Club

Submitted by: Holly Franzoy

This past month, Bullseyes 4-H Club has been all work. We are continuing practices every weekend as well as participating in community service projects. Every meeting we "Pass the Clover" for extra change in support of the State 4-H challenge cancer research project. On Saturday, March 28th, the club served lunch and picked up brass for the SASS Cowboy Shooters versus the Las Cruces Law Enforcement competition. All money was donated to La Casa.

County Horse, Livestock and Wool Judging

The Following are the results from the County Horse, Livestock and Wool Judging Contest held March 21:

Livestock:

Novice:

- 1st– Kaitlin Fancher
- 2nd– Lexi Alanis
- 3rd– Morgan Dunnahoo
- 4th– Kenly Franzoy

Junior:

- 1st– Savannah Graves

Senior:

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| 1st– Veronica Alba | 5th– Courtney Cartwright |
| 2nd– Cassie Gallegos | 6th– Randy Woodall |
| 3rd– Joselyn Beard | 7th– Charlie Woodall |
| 4th– J.W. Lindsay | 8th– Lindsey Wilken |

Wool:

Senior:

- 1st– Megan McCauley
- 2nd– Erica Duran
- 3rd– Kelsey Taylor

Horse:

Novice:

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| 1st– Makayla Richardon | 6th– Bobby Woodall |
| 2nd– Kenly Franzoy | 7th– Lexi Alanis |
| 3rd– Sullivan Woodall | 8th– Kaitlin Fancher |
| 4th– Kathryn Combs | 9th– Nicole Belford |
| 5th– Kaylee Banegas | 10th– Morgan Dunnahoo |

Junior:

- 1st– Savannah Graves
- 2nd– Lily Woodall

Senior:

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| 1st– Randy Woodall | 5th– Charlie Woodall |
| 2nd– Lindsey Wilken | 6th– Joselyn Beard |
| 3rd– Erica Duran | 7th– Cassie Gallegos |
| 4th– Jessica Yates | |

We can take the top 8 in each age/category to District/State.

Special Thank You to Philip Beard and the LCHS FFA Chapter for allowing us to hold our contests in conjunction with District FFA.

29th Annual Las Cruces Sunrise Lions Club

ALL YOU CAN EAT
SPAGHETTI DINNER

Saturday, April 18, 2009
4:30 to 8:00 PM

Las Cruces High School Cafeteria

We have tickets at the County Extension Office or you can call Rick at 524-0938 or 642-2047

The Lions Club is one of the Expo's biggest supporters, so lets get out there and sale tickets!!

We are also looking for 4-H members to help wipe down tables, serve drinks, etc.

Call Sarah at 525-6649 if you would like to help.



**2009 Consumer Decision
Making Classes:**

- Trail Foods
- Jeans
- Light Bulbs
- MP3 Players
- Savings Accounts
- Sunglasses

Reasons classes are not determined at this time. Will let you know at a later time.

Contact your leaders or come by the Extension Office to get rules and guidelines for the classes.

ATTENTION SENIORS

The DAC Expo will award four \$250 scholarships this year. Qualifications are: graduated high school seniors (May 2009 for this year), current 4-H/FFA member, participated in the DAC Expo in the previous fall semester of senior year (August 2008). Applications are **DUE BY JUNE 30, 2009**, and will be available through 4-H Leaders, FFA Advisors, or at the County Extension Office.

State 4-H Update:

Submitted by: Thomas Judd– State 4-H Parliamentarian

Hope all is well in Dona Ana County! Your State 4-H Leadership Team is currently in preparations for Youth Get Away. Early March the team met in Ruidoso to finalize all plans for YGA; We really hope that anyone who can, attends. This weekend will give you the tools, strength, and creativity to make sure that the spotlight is on you!

During our planning weekend in Ruidoso, we began our preparations for State 4-H Conference 2009. We definitely have a great conference planned for you! Our theme and details are currently being kept a surprise. However, it is in talks amongst the adult board that works on the logistical side of State Conference to shorten the conference by one day. We are encouraging you ALL to voice your opinion on this! If you would like to agree or disagree with this proposition please contact myself, Thomas Judd at Trjbrncos7@comcast.net with your explanation of what State Conference means to you and why we should or shouldn't eliminate a day. They are considering this partially due to economical reasoning along with the fact that they believe the day is useless. We are asking for your help and your voice to keep State Conference the way it is. Thank you Dona Ana 4-H and keep making our state program proud!

Horse Certificates

4-H members participating in 4-H Horse events must have an Ownership certificate on file at the County Extension Office. The filing **Deadline is April 15, 2009**. All horses that you think you will be using during the year should have a certificate on file. This includes yearlings for SNMSF, 2-year-old western pleasure Futurity horses and 3-year-old Versatility horses.

Call Rafa at 525-6649 if you have any question

Pig, Lamb, Goat Sales

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE	CONTACT
Lambs	April 11, 2009	Tucumcari, NM	Melanie Gutierrez– 575-714-4414 Jeri Robinson– 575-403-8159
Sheep & Goat	April 18, 2009	Lovington, NM	Jerry Brian– 575-390-6149
Pig & Lamb	April 25, 2009	T or C	Troy or Diane Ham– 575-267-4319
Pig	April 18, 2009	De Baca Fair Grounds	Joe Gammill– 575-355-2567 575-760-1375
Pig, Lamb & Goats	April 19, 2009	Quay County Fair grounds	Quay County Ext.– 575-461-0562
Pig	May 9	SNMSF	Jenny Britton– 644-5716 Clayton Britton-644-6573

