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COUNTY 4-H «««

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April Newsflash

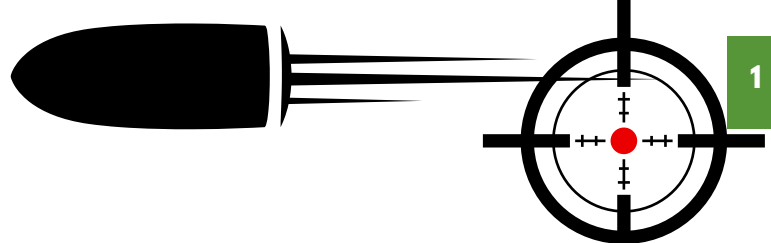


Upcoming Events



Volunteer Spotlight: Beth Goodson





## 2025 Santa Fe County 4-H Shooting Sports County Contest

Despite a surprise late-season snowstorm rolling through northern New Mexico, the spirit of our 4-H youth could not be shaken! This year's Santa Fe County 4-H Shooting Sports Contest brought together Novice, Junior, and Senior members who demonstrated incredible resilience, focus, and sportsmanship through challenging weather conditions.

Over three action-packed days, competitors showcased their skills across multiple disciplines including Rifle, Archery, Recurve, Shotgun, air pistol, air rifle, muzzleloader and pistol.

Even as snow blanketed the ranges, our youth showed true 4-H grit, braving the cold and rising to the challenge with determination and pride.

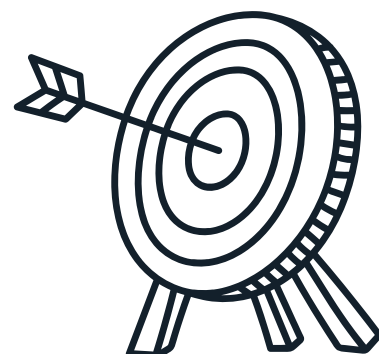
We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our amazing volunteers and coaches for their hard work, encouragement, and dedication to our 4-H youth.

A special thank you to Andrea Ortiz for her tremendous amount of work organizing the relays, score cards, registration and efforts in making this event run smoothly — we couldn't have done it without you!

We are incredibly proud of every participant for their commitment, courage, and enthusiasm.

Thank you to our families, volunteers, coaches and supporters who helped make the contest a true success.

Congratulations again to all our shooters — you made Santa Fe County proud! 🎯❄️





# County Shooting Contest 2025







## Stanley Spurs Adopt-a-Highway Service



## HEAD HEART HANDS HEALTH

Northern Stars  
Towel/Blanket Drive for  
Santa Fe Animal Shelter and  
Humane Society







# YOUTH GET AWAY 2025!



## YOUTH GET-AWAY 2025 RECAP

SANTA FE COUNTY 4-H MEMBERS HAD AN OUT OF THIS WORLD EXPERIENCE AT THIS YEAR'S YOUTH GET-AWAY, HELD AT GLORIETA ADVENTURE CAMP FROM APRIL 11-13. PACKED WITH LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS, EXCITING ACTIVITIES, DANCES, AND NEW FRIENDSHIPS, THE WEEKEND WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

ONE OF OUR PARTICIPANS, LOGAN BUSCHBOM, SUMMED IT UP PERFECTLY, SAYING IT WAS "THE MOST STRESSFUL AND MOST FUN TIME OF HIS LIFE," SHARING THE WORDS WITH A HUGE SMILE. LOGAN IS ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO RETURNING NEXT YEAR FOR MORE FUN AND ADVENTURE!

WE ARE SO PROUD OF ALL OUR YOUTH FOR THEIR ENTHUSIASM, TEAMWORK, AND POSITIVE SPIRIT THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND. THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS, CHAPERONES, AND FAMILIES WHO HELPED MAKE THIS EVENT POSSIBLE!





# COMIN' ON THE CALENDAR

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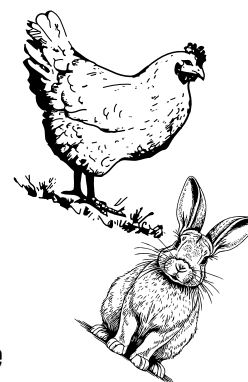
- **Favorite Foods contest:** Rescheduled for Friday, May 23 at 5:30pm @extension office (You must register if you wish to compete at district contests)

<https://fs22.formsite.com/nmsuaces/he1j2ncpbpb/index>

- **State Senior Shooting Sports Contest May 1-4th**

- **Small Animal School May 17-18th**

<https://fs28.formsite.com/kalander/6kytreo6ul/index>



- **Fair Board Meeting May 14th 6:00pm Edgewood at Santa Fe Extension office**

- **Cooking with Bugs Workshop May 22 @ 3:00pm**

<https://fs22.formsite.com/nmsuaces/ljks3cpxfa/index>



- **Sewing camp:** June 16-20, more info TBA

- **Take 10 with 4-H:** join statewide agents on zoom for a quick info session on all things 4-H. Email Paige or Sunny for the link

- **Meat Judging Practice: Santa Fe Extension Office 5:30-7:00pm**

- May 5th and 19th
- June 2nd and 16th

- **Tagging May 26th 4-7:00pm Santa Fe Extension Office**



- **District Contests: June 24-25, Taos: Registration available soon**

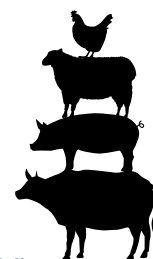
- **Tagging June 4th 4-7:00pm Stanley Cyclone Center**



- **State Conference July 7-10; Registration available in June**

- **Volunteers/parents:** know someone who exemplifies outstanding leadership within Santa Fe County 4-H? Tell us about them! Go to the below link to nominate a Santa Fe County 4-H volunteer for our monthly spotlight

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSedMvPfnAfEfHMM\\_FsLT50qyVZzFdAx6dj4vZUvjHDmKDF9-w/viewform?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSedMvPfnAfEfHMM_FsLT50qyVZzFdAx6dj4vZUvjHDmKDF9-w/viewform?usp=header)

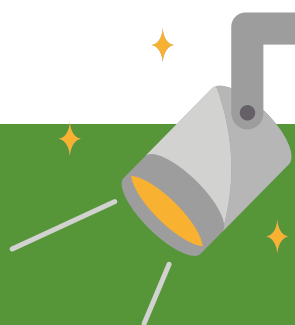




# VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS

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*"Life is an exciting business, and most exciting when it is lived for others." —Helen Keller*



## MAY SPOTLIGHT

# BETH GOODSON

PROJECT LEADER



# Thank You

Beth, for your continued efforts in supporting our county 4-H program. We appreciate you!

### ABOUT ME:

I was born a Nebraska Corn Husker and moved several times as a child. Eventually, my family settled in New Mexico where I met my husband. We run a family Leather & Pottery business together called RLCox Co. I also own a company called Wild Mint NM where I tool leather and have a flower farm. I homeschool my three wild boys with hopes of instilling a love of agriculture and Christ. I enjoy breeding Miniature Herefords, having chickens, tooling leather and drinking coffee.

### INVOLVEMENT WITH SANTA FE COUNTY 4-H:

The Edgewood Chaparrals 4-H Club has been a welcoming home for my three boys for four years now. My oldest son Sawyer is a Novice and his brother is a Cloverbud. They enjoy raising and showing Miniature Herefords, pigs and chickens. My boys also love shooting sports. Aside from animals and shooting, the love and tradition of leather craft runs deep in our family. I am the "Leather Club Leader" for our club and have participants from several other Santa Fe County 4-H clubs.

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT WORKING WITH 4-H YOUTH?:

My favorite thing about working with 4-H youth is being able to pass on the art of leather craft to future generations. I feel honored to be able to make leather craft accessible to our youth and watch them carry out the tradition.

### WHAT ARE YOUR HOPES FOR THE FUTURE OF SANTA FE COUNTY 4-H?:

My hopes for Santa Fe County in the future are to see kids continue leather craft and find a love for the art. I am excited to see so many new kids embracing and selecting projects they are interested in. I hope to see Santa Fe County continue to support the needs and projects of the 4-H kids.

# 4-H SPRING HIGHLIGHTS: GROWING SKILLS AND MEMORIES

## FLOWER PRESS WORKSHOP

IN APRIL, OUR 4-HERS GOT CREATIVE AT THE FLOWER PRESS WORKSHOP! PARTICIPANTS LEARNED HOW TO USE A MICROWAVEABLE FLOWER PRESS TO PRESERVE FLOWERS IN MINUTES, THEN LABELED PARTS OF THE FLOWER FOR A HANDS-ON HORTICULTURE STUDY. KIDS LOVED SEEING THE INSTANT RESULTS OF THEIR HARD WORK AND WERE PROUD TO CREATE PIECES THEY CAN LATER ENTER INTO THE COUNTY FAIR. IT WAS A WONDERFUL BLEND OF SCIENCE AND ART, WITH LOTS OF SMILES AND COLORFUL CREATIONS!

## CATTLE WORKSHOP WITH AG AMBASSADORS

THE AG AMBASSADORS KICKED OFF THEIR FIRST WORKSHOP OF THE YEAR ON APRIL 26TH WITH A FANTASTIC TURNOUT! WE WERE THRILLED TO WELCOME GUEST PRESENTER RILEY MERTZ FROM WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, WHO SHARED VALUABLE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT CATTLE NUTRITION AND HAIR CARE. YOUTH PARTICIPANTS ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRACTICE THEIR SHOWMANSHIP SKILLS, LEARNING TIPS AND TECHNIQUES TO HELP THEM PREPARE FOR UPCOMING SHOWS. IT WAS AN INCREDIBLE DAY FULL OF HANDS-ON LEARNING, AND WE ARE SO PROUD OF OUR AG AMBASSADORS FOR LEADING SUCH A SUCCESSFUL AND EDUCATIONAL EVENT!







NORTHERN NEW MEXICO 4-H

# DISTRICT CONTESTS

JUNE 24-25, 2025

TAOS, NM

REGISTRATION AVAILABLE SOON

Consumer Decision  
Making  
Entomology  
FCS Skill-a-Thon  
Fashion Review  
Favorite Foods  
Horse Bowl  
Horse Judging

Horticulture  
Livestock Judging  
Livestock Skill-a-Thon  
Public Speaking  
Talent  
Wildlife Habitat Evaluation  
Hippology  
Meats ID

For contest info and rules, please visit:  
<https://4hcontestsnorth.nmsu.edu/documents/2024-Northern-District-Handbook1.pdf>

handbook will note 2024 but same rules apply for 2025





# SANTA FE COUNTY FAIR TAGGING DATES



## LARGE ANIMALS



IMPORTANT!  
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**MAY 28TH**  
**FROM 4:00-7:00PM**



**Santa Fe County  
Fair Grounds**

**JUNE 4TH**  
**FROM 4:00-7:00PM**



**Stanley Cyclone  
Center**

