

»»» SANTA FE COUNTY 4-H «««

CLOVER CORNER



February

TOP NEWS OF THE MONTH

SENIOR LEADERSHIP RETREAT 2024



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: RENELL ROYBAL



SEE WHAT'S COMIN' UP «««
JANUARY NEWSFLASH «««
COOKIES AND CRAFTS «««

Simple, fun Valentines Day activities for the family



18 USC 707

JANUARY NEWSFLASH

Senior Leadership Retreat

Senior 4-H members “surfed the waves” at the 2024 Senior Leadership Retreat: Surfs Up. They competed, attended leadership workshops, and heard from both youth and adult 4-H leadership from around the state. Oh, and boogied on the dance floor!



Outstanding State Record Book Awards: Kate Dion-LaMont and Lauren Turner



Parliamentary Procedure Team:

- Shyann Moorhead
- Kate Dion-LaMont
- Lauren Turner
- Aiden Newsted
- Wyatt Braithwaite
- Joshua Gallegos
- Heidi Tucker
- Sienna Ney
- Oscar Horn
- Kaytee Gallegos
- Liam Newsted



Lookin' sharp at the evening banquet!



Northern Stars made flower arrangements and donated them to Casa Real nursing home.



Quilt blocks made by Northern Stars 4-Hers. The final quilts were made by Quilt Corner in Espanola and donated to the fire department for those in need. Great work everyone!



Stanley Spurs Adopt-A-Mile service. Thanks for helping keep NM beautiful!



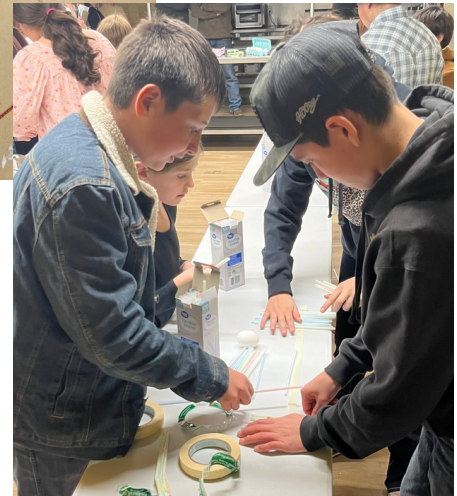
Route 66 Sharp Shooters got creative with some project workshops. They're also "buggin' out" on an entomology project this year.

Shootings sports teams are well underway with practices. We're excited for another great year!



We celebrated New Mexico's birthday with homemade tortillas and hand-woven coasters!

Fun at the horse safety meeting creating egg helmets.



COMIN' ON THE CALENDAR

4

- NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION- FEB 19 6:00PM: EXTENSION OFFICE
- SNO-BALL STEER AND HEIFER JACKPOT- FEBRUARY 10TH AT 10:00AM AT MCGEE PARK- STEER BARN IN FARMINGTON, NM
- HORSE JUDGING CLINIC- FEB 17TH 9:00AM-12:00PM: STANLEY CYCLONE CENTER
- HORSE PRACTICE- STANLEY CYCLONE CENTER
 - FEBRUARY 4TH FROM 12:00PM-2:00PM
 - FEBRUARY 18TH FROM 12:00PM-2:00PM
- RODEO PRACTICE- STANLEY CYCLONE CENTER
 - FEBRUARY 25 FROM 12:00PM- 2:00PM
- LEADER TRAINING- NOW SCHEDULED FOR MARCH (TBA)
- 4-H FCS (HOME EC. SCHOOL)- MARCH 9-10, ALB: NOVICE AND JUNIOR MEMBERS-**REGISTRATION DUE FEB 9**

Senior 4-H members interested in applying to be a Junior Leader at FCS school email Paige at paigemar@nmsu.edu. Applications are due Feb 9. This is an awesome opportunity for state-level involvement!

DETERMINING 4-H AGE

CLOVERBUDS: K-2ND

5-7 YEARS OLD AND
8 YEARS OLD IN THE 2ND GRADE

NOVICE 3RD-5TH

8 YEARS OLD IN THE 3RD GRADE
9 AND 10 YEARS OLD
11 YEARS OLD IN THE 5TH GRADE

JUNIOR 6TH-7TH

11 YEARS OLD IN THE 6TH GRADE
12 YEARS OLD
13 YEARS OLD IN THE 7TH GRADE

SENIOR 8TH AND UP

13 YEARS OLD IN THE 8TH GRADE
14-18 YEARS OLD

VOLUNTEERS:

Don't
Forget!

REMINDER: Working with minors training must be completed every year and a valid background check completed every 5 years to maintain active volunteer status with Santa Fe County 4-H. ALL adults working with 4-H youth must be registered on ZSuite yearly. Contact the extension office if you are unsure about your status with these requirements.



VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS

“Volunteering is an act of heroism on a grand scale. And it matters profoundly. It does more than help people beat the odds; it changes the odds.” –

William J. Clinton

FEBRUARY SPOTLIGHT



RENELL ROYBAL

WIDE HORIZONS CLUB LEADER

*Thank
You*

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



ABOUT ME:

I grew up in Iowa on the family farm. My parents were both in 4-H, but I wasn't introduced to 4-H until I had kids. I was a florist for 10 years until Alena was born, then my job became a stay at home mom and wife. Our family has always been a family that spent a lot of time outdoors. I've always enjoyed working with my hands and I enjoy working with kids. 4-H has become a huge part of our lives and we've gained a very large group of people who we call friends and family.

INVOLVEMENT WITH SANTA FE COUNTY 4-H:

I've been involved with Santa Fe 4-H since 2004. At first my involvement was as a parent. Both our girls came up through 4-H. Then in 2017 Wayne and I took over our club as leaders. I've helped out in many different roles since my involvement.

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

My favorite part about working with the youth is their achievements. I love to see the kids have their goals and how they react when they accomplish them. I enjoy helping them get there.

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

My hopes for 4-H is for the kids to be able to get the most out of the program and grow up to be successful, confident adults in society. Just as the program did for my children.

Cookies n' crafts



What better way to express your love and appreciation for someone this Valentines Day than with yummy cookies and a handmade card?

STRAWBERRY CHEESECAKE COOKIES

These cake cookies are so soft, delicious, and easy. Great for a class party, family get together, or just the counter cookie jar!



Ingredients:

- 6 oz cream cheese - room temperature
- 1 large egg - room temperature
- 1 box strawberry cake mix - 15.25 oz
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- ¾ cup white chocolate chips - optional

Directions:

- In a large bowl or the bowl of a stand mixer, mix cream cheese, egg, cake mix, baking powder, and vegetable oil until combined.
- Fold in white chocolate chips, if using.
- Chill dough in refrigerator for 30 minutes. In the meantime, preheat oven to 350°F and line a large baking sheet with a silicone liner or parchment paper.
- Use a small cookie scoop to place scoops of dough onto the prepared baking sheet 2 inches apart.
- Bake in preheated oven for 12-13 minutes, or until cookies are set and golden brown on the edges.
- Allow cookies to cool on the pan for 10 minutes, then remove to a wire rack to cool completely.



LADYBUG VALENTINES DAY CARD

This is a really fun and very simple idea for a handmade Valentines Day card. You just need:

- red and black construction paper (white print paper for inside note) you can use any colors you want, though!
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Black marker or pen

Find template here (or email Paige at paigemar@nmsu.edu for it):
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1f74uqPJcmMCGVV8nH-jFojorih6-1Kdl/view?usp=sharing>

Do both activities, snap a photo with them, and send it to Paige at paigemar@nmsu.edu by Feb 29 for a chance to win a prize! For all 4-Hers