

The Curry County 4-H Times:



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Gobble, gobble, gobble! It is that time of year again! It is time to register for 4-H and eat all of the turkey, mashed potatoes, and pumpkin pie you possibly can!

If I can give you one piece of advice... Register for 4-H ASAP. With the new enrollment system, all of the emails I previously had are now gone. If you want to stay up-to-date with the 4-H program, get signed up so you can get all of the emails related to 4-H. You will not receive any emails from me until I get you in the new system. Plus, it gives us more time to make sure that all of your enrollments are correctly submitted. Enrollment can be completed on hard paper copies, or it can be done online. For instructions on how to do it online, please check the Facebook page or email Halee.

As we begin the new 4-H year, we have several exciting events coming up. First of all, there are two annual Shooting Sports Safety Meetings being offered in November. Members are only required to attend one per year. Members do need to attend prior to participating in any live fire for the new year.

We are planning on participating in the Christmas Parade again this year! Please check out details and plan on participating in the parade or coming out to cheer us on!

Lastly, don't miss out on the ornament workshop and the 4-H dance. We are excited to give back to the community and enjoy a night of family fun!

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Announcements

Congratulations Livestock Exhibitors!

Congratulations to all of our exhibitors who competed at the Eastern New Mexico State Fair! Curry County had a great week. We are proud of all of you!

Also, congratulations to all of our indoor entry exhibitors. Curry County was represented well at the ENMSF.

NEW Production Steer Class at the Curry County Fair!

The fairboard has voted on adding a new production steer class at the Curry County Fair. All production steers must be validated by January 15. For more information and a set of rules, please contact Halee.

Thank You Notes

Don't forget to write your thank you notes for the Curry County Fair. Bring them to the extension office addressed and stamped. You will NOT receive your sale check until all of your thank you notes have been brought to the office. If you are missing a mailing address on a buyer, please still bring the thank you note. We will make sure it gets delivered.

Shooting Sports Safety Training

A yearly safety meaning is REQUIRED for all 4-H shooting sports members. Youth cannot participate in live fire until they complete a safety meeting for the 21/22 4-H year. There will be a safety meeting on the following dates at the extension office:

November 9 at 6 PM

November 29 at 6 PM

Council Meeting

We are having a 4-H Council Meeting on November 22 at 6:00 pm at the extension office. All 4-H members are welcome. The council will be voting on proposed by-law changes. The meeting will also include planning for the upcoming Christmas parade and dance (details on next page)

Kyle Wood Curry County 4-H Council Reporter

During the month of October, we celebrated National 4-H Week. The council officers chose people in the community to recognize with a gift to let them know we appreciate all that they do for 4-H. During the October Curry County council meeting, we voted on the new officer's. We also discussed having a dance. The last thing we decided was that Curry 4-H will be having a concession stand during the craft show on October 30th at the Pavilion on the fairgrounds. We hope to see a lot of 4-H members in the county come out to help. But as I mentioned we did vote on officer's for this year. Our new President is Jaryn Bruce, the Vice President and Song & Rec Leader is Denny Turner, the Secretary and Treasurer is Shaylee Priest, the Reporter and Parliamentarian is Kyle Wood, the Chaplin and Historian is John Turner, and the pledge leader is Talynn Wood.



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November Enrichment Program

Cool Beans!

The Curry County Extension Office is offering Gardening in a Glove with beans. Students will learn different varieties of beans and grow them in a glove. They will form a hypothesis on which bean will grow first and what environment is best. Teachers will receive a packet along with a classroom kit to complete the experiment. We have individual kits for students available as well. If you are interested in receiving the program in your classroom, please contact Diana Wood. woodd@nmsu.edu

All classrooms will receive the packets and kits that want them. However, if you would like an in-person or zoom lesson, it will be first come first serve on these dates:

November-
Tuesday, 9th
Thursday, 11th
Monday, 15th

NM Cattle Grower's Association Scholarship

If you're a high school senior or college freshman, sophomore, or junior in good academic standing, you could be eligible for a \$1,000 or \$500 scholarship. To be eligible, you must be a member of the NM Cattle Grower's Association Junior Cattle Growers or a child of an Association member. The deadline to apply is November 22. If you're interested, please send an email to hprather@nmsu.edu.

Ornament Workshop

This year, the extension office has decided to set up Christmas trees in places throughout Curry County with ornaments on them that people can take home. Locations are still being decided. Please join us for an ornament workshop so we can fill our trees up and give back to the community! This workshop is for all Cloverbud, Novice, Junior, and Senior 4-H members. Participants will also get to make an ornament to take home and/or to be admitted into the 4-H dance (see below). The workshop will be on Friday, December 10th from 1 PM to 5 PM. Participants can join us for the whole time, or just stop by and make a few ornaments and leave.

4-H Dance

The Curry County 4-H Council is hosting a 4-H dance on Friday, December 10th from 7 PM to 10:30 PM at the fairgrounds. Admission to the dance is one ornament per person. 4-H members are encouraged to invite friends. This is a family event, so we are asking parents to stay and dance as well and to help us chaperone the event. Please pay attention to the December newsletter and Facebook for more announcements.

Project Minutes

"Project Minutes" is a 1-2 minute quick intro to a 4-H project with a simple activity that 4-Hers can do at home. Project Minutes will happen on Friday's at 9 AM on the NMSU Curry County 4-H Facebook page. Some of the recordings are live and some are pre-recorded. You can always go back and watch both versions at a later time. Explore the world of 4-H and learn about all of the projects we have to offer!

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4-H Adult Forum

If you signed up for the Adult Forum, we cannot wait to see you there! Please go ahead and book yourself a hotel room if you are planning on going up the night before. Here is the schedule.

Schedule:

8:30-9:00 AM Registration; Auction/
Door Prize Drop Off; Display Set-Up
9:00-9:45 AM Welcome and Get
Acquainted Activity Guest Speakers
(The Past, The Present, The Future)
9:50-11:20 AM - Workshops - Session 1
1a. Uniquely NM - Sand Art
1b. Project Minutes
1c. Community Service Made Easy
1d. Tech Tips Online Quiz Bowl
Practice
11:20 AM-Noon Networking & Energizing
Noon-1:00 PM Lunch
1:00-2:30 PM - Workshops - Session 2
2a. Beginning Robotics: Easy
Operation and Coding
2b. QPR - Question, Persuade, Refer.
Let's Learn to Talk About Suicide
2c. Making the Connection...4-H to
Life!
2d. Project Talks to Contest Demos
2:30-2:50 PM Break
3:00-4:00 PM - Workshops - Session 3
3a. Fun and Games
3b. Cloverbuds, They Are Our Future
3c. 4-H Club Agenda
3d. Goal Setting 101
4:05-4:30 PM Closing

Required Volunteer Training

All 4-H volunteers are required to complete a "Working With Minors" training for the new 4-H year. The training is now available on ZSuite. Go to 4h.zsuite.org to complete the training. Once logged in...

1. Click on Clover Academy on left menu bar
2. Launch Clover Academy
3. Open NM Working with Minors (even though it says completed)
4. Under 'You have earned a certificate' is a button that says [Reset All Course Progress for New Year (Cannot be undone.)]
5. Click on the blue 'Reset All Course Progress for the New Year (Cannot be undone)'
6. Start Course
7. Complete course and a certificate will be available with the completion date. Halee will be able to see completion on her administrator page.

Senior Leadership Retreat

2022 is not far away and with that comes Senior Leadership Retreat! This event is going to take place in Las Cruces on January 21-23, 2022. The event is a three-day, two-night event filled with great workshops and neat opportunities.

During the weekend, youth will be involved in hands-on activities while learning about careers, leadership skills, community service, and much more! There will also be time for them to show their dancing skills! The 2021-2022 State Leadership Team is excited about putting on this event for all who attend! Contact Halee for registration information. Note: The event is planned to be face-to-face unless CDC requirements change.



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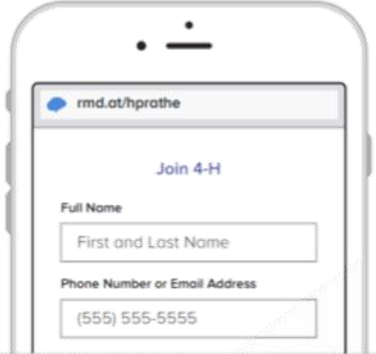
Pick a way to receive messages for 4-H:

A If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/hprathe

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.




B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @hprathe to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @hprathe to (225) 412-6256.

* Standard text message rates apply.



Remind App

Get important updates and reminders from the extension office with the Remind App! Stay up-to-date on the most current information and never miss out on a 4-H opportunity. Sign up today!



Christmas Parade

On December 4, Clovis will be having a Classic Christmas parade. As of now, the parade is supposed to proceed like normal this year e.g. floats go down the street and public is on the sidewalks. We are encouraging all members to join us this year! If you're interested, please contact Halee so she can add you to the list. Participants are expected to help set up the float. If you do not want to be in the parade, please still plan on joining us on Main Street and cheering us on to recognize the 4-H program!

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Reminder

Enrollment is open
October 1 through
March 1

The deadline to add or
change projects will
be July 1



4-H Member Ages for the 2021/22 4-H Year

Novice: Age 9-11. A 4-H Member must have passed his/her 9th birthday or be 8 years old or in the 3rd grade, but not have passed his/her 12th birthday prior to January 1 of the current 4-H year.

Junior: Ages 12-13. A 4-H member must have passed his/her 12th birthday or be 11 years old and in the 6th grade, but not have passed his/her 14th birthday party prior to January 1 of the current 4-h year.

Senior: Ages 14-19. A 4-H member must have passed his/her 14th birthday or be 13 years old and in the 8th grade but not have passed his/her 19th birthday prior to January 1 of the current 4-H year.

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Membership Requirements

4-H is open to ages 9-19. A youth must have passed their 9th birthday, but not their 19th birthday prior to January 1st of the current 4-H year to be considered eligible for membership.

Curry County 4-H members must maintain an "Active Membership" status prior to participation in 4-H Rodeo, County Contests, District and State Conference, or Junior Divisions of the Curry County Fair. An "active" member will be considered one who attends four (4) or more regularly scheduled meetings. Not more than two (2) meetings in any given month will count toward the membership requirement. Meetings count during the 4-H year which is October 1st through September 30th. The intent of this rule is not to punish inactive members, but rather to reward active members. Therefore, every effort should be made to provide opportunities for members to obtain an "active" status. 4-H Council officers cannot miss over seven (7) regular Council Meetings and retain that office.



Curry County 4-H Dates To Remember

November 1	Record Books Due
November 6	Adult Forum (Clayton, NM)
November 9	Shooting Sports Safety Meeting
November 22	Cattle Growers Scholarship
November 29	Shooting Sports Safety Meeting
December 4	Christmas Parade
December 10	Ornament Decorating Workshop
December 10	4-H Dance
January 21-23	Senior Leadership Retreat
February 19-20	4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training
March 1	Deadline to enroll
March 18-20	State 4-H Shooting Sports Leadership Summit
March 25	Project Exploration Day
May 6-8	State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships
July 1	Deadline to add projects