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CLOVERLEAF

April 2023

Hello 4-Her's, Leaders and Parents,

The enrollment deadline for the 2022-2023 4-H year has passed and we would like to welcome the new families and volunteers to our 4-H family!

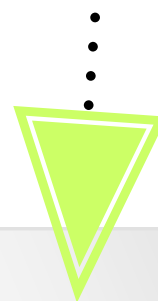
Please make sure to check out all the upcoming events and mark your calendar.

If you have any questions or need any help please contact the Cooperative Extension office by email or phone at 505-544-4333 or Torrance@nmsu.edu.

We are looking forward to an exciting new 4-H year!

Debby Maberry- Extension Family and Consumer Science Agent/4-H

Anna Davis- Agricultural Agent/4-H



Happy Birthday
Wishes To:

- Brett Whitaker
- Clayton Whitaker
- Johnathan Oney
- Josiah Ness
- Lorenzo Wagner
- Autumn Valigura
- Brooklyn Matson
- Levi Romero
- Lexi Chavez

We Our Volunteers

Volunteer Appreciation Month



Leslie Chavez has been a volunteer with Torrance County 4-H for 32 years! She began as a volunteer when she attended the Bernalillo County 4-H Rodeo at Tingley Coliseum in the early 1970s and became hooked on 4-H. Leslie joined 4-H and signed up for leather craft and rodeo projects. Leslie enjoyed 4-H so much, that when she aged out, she volunteered as a way to continue with 4-H. She hopes to encourage others to volunteer by acting as a role model. Besides working and being a 4-H Leader and project leader, Leslie and her husband, Carlos, enjoy going to Conchas Lake to fish, knee board, surf, and tube. They also go trail riding on their Polaris General UTV and are season ticket holders for Lobo basketball and football. Leslie considers anytime spent with her husband and two boys as her best vacations. Leslie's father had the greatest impact on her life. Her father was a retired Air Force Lt. Colonel, so Leslie had to adapt to change having to relocate several times. She grew up learning to be a hard worker, disciplined, and accountable for her actions. Leslie wants to continue to grow in the coming year by continuing to keep learning and able inspiring others. Thank you Leslie for your 32 years of volunteering and being an inspiration to us all. You truly are an example of the 4-Hs – head, heart, hand, and health. Words could never express how grateful our community is to you.

Thank you so much for all you do!

Torrance County Cooperative Extension Service



Please Download the Remind Application

For fast, reliable communication, right on your phone.

- Real-Time notifications on any device, no smartphone required
 - Automatic translation into your preferred language
- Personal information stays private so you can communicate with confidence

The Torrance County Cooperative Extension Service will begin using Remind to send reminders via text message for upcoming meetings and events..

Step 1 – Create a Remind account by going to remind.com or downloading the free iOS or Android app. Click on Sign Up. To sign up, you'll need to provide a full name, email address, and password.

Step 2 – Join a class to receive Remind messages via text, email, and/or push notifications. You'll need to use one of the following class codes:

- Torrance County Extension Service - @aafkada
- Shooting Sports - @e3k37c
- County Council - @d9fehd

For more help, visit help.remind.com or contact support directly at rmd.me/help

To receive messages via text, text the class code to 81010.

Class Codes:

Torrance County Extension Service - @aafkada

Shooting Sports - @e3k37c

County Council - @d9fehd

Trouble using 81010? Try texting the class code to (512) 337-4823 instead.



Enter this number

Text this message

Contact:

Anna Davis

Ag Agent/4-H

505-544-4337

aldavis@nmsu.edu



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Cain receives Cattle Growers' honor, Annual Heritage showcase is back

By: Gracie Hooten, NMCGA

New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association (NMCGA) announced Macklee Cain of Mountainair as the 2022 recipient of NMCGA Statewide Heritage Contest during the Joint Stockmen's Convention held December 2022. Honored for her reflection and commitment to her roots in New Mexico's ranching industry, Macklee received a commemorative Torrance County Heritage belt buckle, a one year junior membership to NMCGA and a \$1,000 scholarship funded by the NMCGA Promotions and Marketing Committee.

Macklee is a fifth grade Mountainair Mustang who is active in 4-H and loves everything about ranching, except building fence. A portion of her winning essay reads, "As a fifth generation rancher, I plan to build on the legacy of agriculture in New Mexico by becoming an Ambassador for the ranching industry. Only 2% of the U.S. population are involved in agriculture. There are many people who do not understand how difficult feeding America is. It is my goal to educate those who are not directly involved in agriculture and show them how passionate agriculturalists are about taking care of animals and the land. I will continue to build the industry by making sure everybody knows where their meat comes from. I will show them that eating beef can be both nutritious and delicious. I will do all I can to make sure my passion for New Mexico agriculture is contagious."

"It's always a wonderful journey to see how excited our youth are about their futures," says Amanda Culbertson, NMCGA Promotions and Marketing Committee Chairman. "The lessons these kids learn when working alongside their fathers and grandfathers are priceless. Cattle Growers' wants to help tell the story of New Mexico agriculture and we believe this contest showcases our diverse industry and the families who make their livings at the end of the dirt road."

Congratulations Macklee!!

***She was also recognized
and a proclamation was
signed by the Torrance
County Commissioners.***





New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association 2023 Agriculture Heritage Essay Contest



Entry Form

Name: _____
(Please Print)

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contest Rules:

1. Must be **between age 9 and 15 years old**
2. Essay must be 200 to 500 words explaining **“How would you like to continue your family’s agriculture heritage to better your community?”**
3. Deadline: All Essays **MUST** be received in the NMC GA office **NO LATER** than **May 12 , 2023**
4. Applicants understand any essay received may be used by NMC GA for publication.
5. NMC GA board members along with county fair board members and the sponsor will determine the recipient. Winners selected by response to the written essay prompt.
6. Buckles and one year membership will be awarded at your county fair. Winners are automatically entered in the overall state winner contest for a \$1,000 scholarship.
7. Previous year winners are not eligible to compete.

Submit Essays to:

By mail:
NMC GA / PO Box 850 / Moriarty, NM 87035

By email: nmcgaheritage@gmail.com



For all 4-H related items check out:

Facebook – NMSU Torrance County 4-H
<https://www.facebook.com/torrancenm4h>

Instagram - torrancenm4h
<https://www.instagram.com/torrancenm4h/>

All Torrance County CES programing:

Facebook—NMSU Torrance County Cooperative Extension Service
<https://www.facebook.com/NMSUTorranceCES/>

Torrance County ICAN:

Facebook—NMSU ICAN Torrance
<https://www.facebook.com/NMSUICANTorrance>



All Livestock Tag In Date

Saturday, June 10th

7am - 2pm

***If you have a conflict, please contact the extension office
and the fair board ASAP.***

County Fair

Clean Up

Dates

**Saturday, July
15th**

7am – 12pm

**Thursday, July
27th**

3pm - 7pm

SAVE THE DATE

***Torrance County
Fair!***

**Tuesday, August 8th
- Friday, August 11th**





Shooting Sports Practices

NMSU



Archery Practices

Every Other Friday

April 7th & 21st

4pm - 6pm

@

County Fairgrounds

Contact:

Julian Sanders

(505) 314-3815

Rifle Practices

Every Other Tuesday

#1– April 11th

@ Fairgrounds

All other practices will

be held @ Mags

2pm - 5 pm



APRIL CLASSES:

Leather Craft April 12 & 26

Macramé April 12

Ceramics (Coil Pots) April 12

Beginning Sewing April 24

Cross Stitch April 26





County Contest

On April 26th at the craft class we will have four contest for youth to compete in: Horticulture, Consumer Decision Making, Livestock skill-a-thon, & Family Consumer Science skill-a-thon. This is an opportunity for youth to experience County Contest before we offer the rest of the contests.

Immediately following the last class we will have a County Council Meeting.



County Council Meeting immediately following the County Contest on April 26th at 5:30 pm

SEED AND PLANT SWAP

ESTANCIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

601 s 10TH STREET

FRIDAY, APRIL 14TH 1PM—5PM OPEN

HOUSE

BRING SEEDS AND PLANTS TO SWAP

OR

TAKE SEEDS TO GROW AND SHARE

FREE SEEDS



Not a Cooperative Extension Program, NMSU Torrance County is merely sharing the information.



What:

Idea/Information Sharing for 4-H Volunteer Leaders via Zoom

An extension agent or 4-H volunteer will present about 5-7 minutes on a topic and open up for sharing from participants for remainder of the 10 minutes. Sessions will be recorded and shared on the State 4-H website. Since the scheduled Take 10 sessions will only focus on one small part of a larger topic, additional resources will also be found on the State 4-H website under the selected Take 10 topic.

When:

1st Thursday of the month on the dates below during the lunch hour.

The topics held during the same lunch hour will be separate presentations.

2023 Dates/Topics/Times:

<p>January 5, 2023 Community Service Scholarships (12:30pm) FCS School (12:45pm)</p>	<p>May 4, 2023 State 4-H Conference (12:15pm) Livestock Schools (12:30pm) District Contests (12:45pm)</p>
<p>February 2, 2023 4-H Day at the Capitol (12:30pm)</p>	<p>October 5, 2023 Build Club Membership/Involvement (12:30pm) Community Service Ideas for Clubs (12:45pm)</p>
<p>March 2, 2023 YGA (12:30pm)</p>	<p>November 2, 2023 State Portfolios (12:30pm)</p>
<p>April 6, 2023 State 4-H Leadership Team (12:30pm)</p>	<p>December 7, 2023 Role of Club Leader (12:30pm)</p>

Contact your County Extension Office for information on how to join the zoom sessions.



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TRI-COUNTY LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Saturday April 15th
8:00 am- 4:00 pm
Hosted by
Bernalillo County Council

Bernalillo County
Cooperative Extension Service
1510 Menaul Blvd., NW
Albuquerque, NM. 87107
Office: (505) 243-1386



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Join us for a day filled with leadership experiences, parliamentary procedure, and inter-county connections.

Open to any enrolled 4-H youth
\$10 per youth

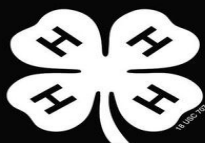
Contact your county agent for sign up.

Registration deadline:
Friday, April 6th

Must have signed medical and liability release form to county agent by the deadline

Save the Date:
July 10-14, 2023

Las Cruces, NM
NMSU Campus



Free diabetes cooking classes!

Kitchen Creations

Please sign up at
kitchencreations.nmsu.edu
or call 505-544-4334.

Thursdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Torrance County CES
205 9th St (cross street Allen)
Estancia, NM 87016



Scan this QR code
to visit our website



Please join us for this free series of 4 classes!

- Learn how to plan meals that help manage diabetes.
- Practice cooking food in healthier ways.
- Get a free manual and cookbooks.
- Enjoy the support of others who are living with diabetes.

These classes will be taught by:

- Debby Maberry, County Program Director
- Elizabeth Galbraith, RDN, LD
- Cindy Davies, MA

Kitchen Creations has been provided since 2001 by:



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COMMUNITY GARDEN

Supported by Torrance County Cooperative Extension Service
and East Torrance Soil & Water Conservation District

Looking for a place to grow fruits, vegetables, herbs, and flowers? Looking for a place to meet your neighbors and learn and share gardening techniques?



The Community Garden is located in southwest corner of the Torrance County Fair Grounds in Estancia, NM.

Items that are harvested will be distributed to community members.



For more information or to volunteer, please scan the below QR Code



Contact:
Anna Davis
Ag Agent/4-H
505-544-4334
aldavis@nmsu.edu

**Everyone
is
Welcome**

*Come get your hands dirty
or just learn about
gardening.
No green thumb required*



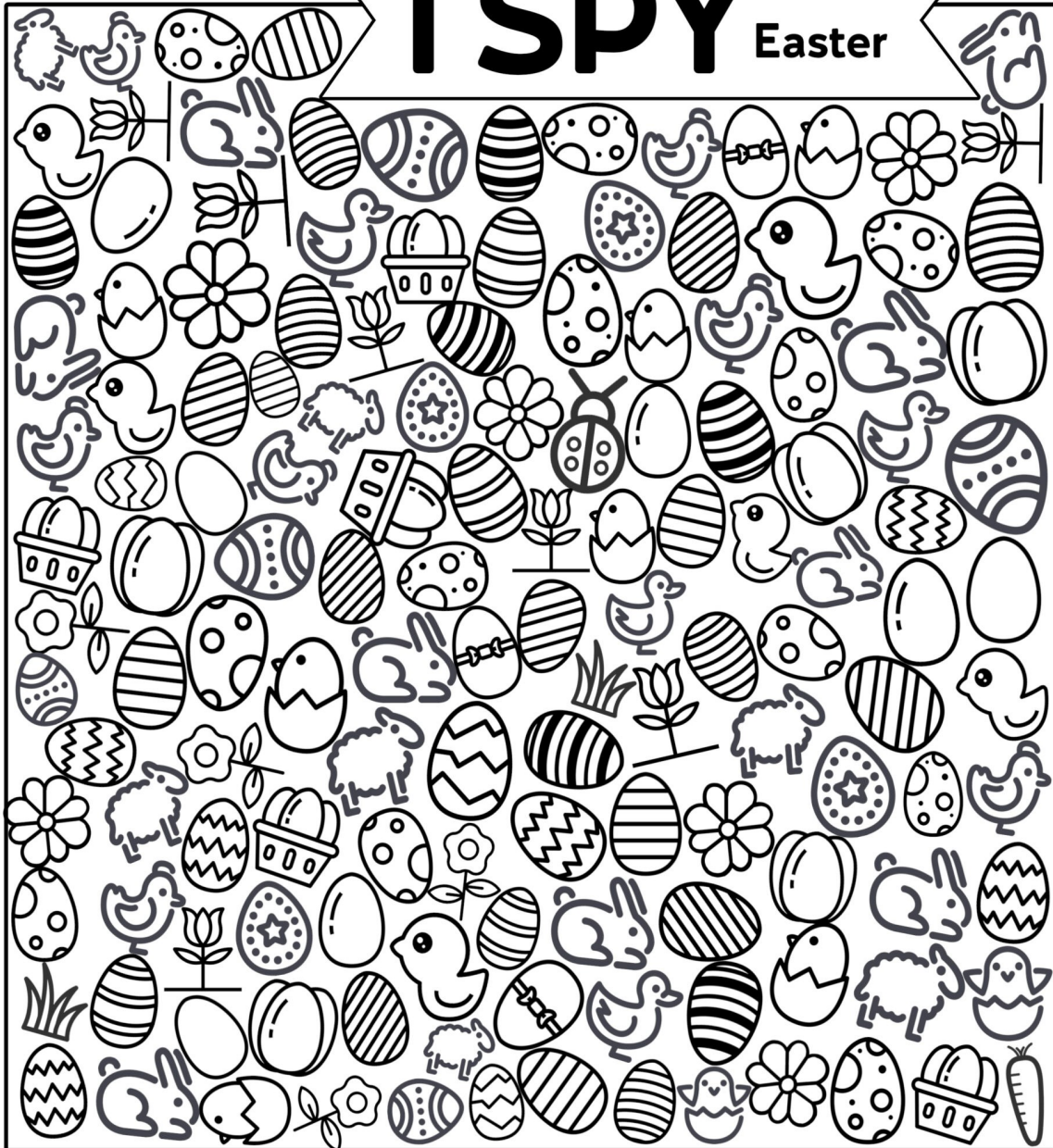
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Activity Page

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APRIL 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5	6	7 Archery Practice	8
9	10 Mustang- Wrangler's Meet- ing	11 #1 Rifle Practice	12 Leather craft & Macra- mé	13 Desperados & Tumbleweeds Meeting	14	15
16	17	18 Pioneers Meeting	19	20	21 Archery Practice	22
23	24 Beginning Sewing	25	26 Leather craft & Cross Stitch, County Contest & County Council Meeting	27	28	29
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Mark Your Calendars!

2022-2023



New Mexico 4-H Event Dates

**Tentative Schedule more information to follow*

EVENT	DATE
Youth Get-Away (Glorieta, NM)	April 21-23
National 4-H Conference	April 14-19
Aggie Next Step College Experience	TBD
NM State 4-H Shooting Sports Championship (Raton, NM)	May 4-7
4-H Horse School—Location TBD	June 5-8
Northern 4-H Regional Livestock School	TBD
NM Youth Ranch Management Camp	TBD
National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship	June 25-30
Southern 4-H Regional Livestock School—Sierra County Fairgrounds	June 14-16
Nothern District Contest (Moriarty, NM)	June 28-29
NW District Shooting Sports Contest	June 16
4-H Dog School	TBD
State 4-H Conference	July 8-14
New Mexico State Fair	September 7-17
New Mexico Food Challenge	September 16
Southern New Mexico State Fair	September 27-October 1

New Mexico 4-H Event Deadlines

Event	Registration Deadline Date
Youth Get-Away	March 31, 2023
State 4-H Conference	June 15, 2023
Photo Contest	August 1, 2023
New Mexico State Fair Indoor Exhibit Entries	August 31, 2023

ATTENTION 4-H YOUTH:

The 4-H County Council has voted to continue to provide all current Torrance county club members the opportunity for sponsorship of \$75 towards their choice of District, State, or National 4-H Event or Activity. To qualify you must be of 4-H age and be a Member in Good Standings (see below) and not owe any money to your club or county council.

The State 4-H Leaderline

A quarterly newsletter for 4-H volunteer leaders to provide you with the latest 4-H news in New Mexico.

Available at:

<http://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/newsletters.html>

MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING

According to State 4-H policy, a 4-H member shall attend at **least 40%** of all club meeting and activities. If a 4-H member does not meet this requirement, they will not be a member in good standing.

Current Torrance County 4-H By-Laws state for a member to remain in good standing the member must complete the following :

1. **Attend 50% (6) regular club meetings during the current 4-H year and attend (4) prior to County Fair.**
2. **Keep records of projects and turn them into the club leader.**
3. **Give a demonstration or illustrated talk.**
4. **Participate in two or more community service projects and two or more club activities and two or more club or county fundraisers.**
5. **Meet all of the requirements before exhibiting any projects. Members must be enrolled in the projects they are exhibiting.**
6. **Exhibit projects at County/State Fair**

4-H is a **community** of **young people**
 **across America** who are learning
leadership, citizenship and
life skills.

Working With Minors Training - New Year started October 1

As we begin the new year, it is time for our volunteers to take the Working with Minors module for 2021-2022 year. To make this process easier, a reset button has been added. Please share these steps with your volunteers.

Once the volunteer is in his/her/family Zsuite account and has selected his/her profile follow the steps below:

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 the New Year (Cannot be undone)'
5. Click on the blue 'Reset All Course Progress for the New Year (Cannot be undone)'
6. Start Course

Complete course and a certificate will be available with the completion date. The county 4-H Zsuite administrator should be able to see the volunteer completion on his/her county page.

Moriarty Desperados 4-H Club

Meets 2nd Thursday @ 6PM

109 Chavez Road Moriarty

Leslie Chavez (505)328-5837

zack2006@msn.com

Mustang Wranglers 4-H Club

Meets 2nd Monday @ 6PM

Mountainair High School FFA

Agricultural Building

Brenda Cain (505)847-0966

drblmack@aol.com

Jill Encinias (505) 384-2245

jillyroge@yahoo.com

Ropers 4-H Club

Meets 2nd Monday @ 6PM

Call for meeting place

Lisa Encinias (505) 610-7599

encinias5@aol.com

Pioneers 4-H Club

Meets 3rd Tuesday @ 6PM

E. Torrance Soil & Water Bldg. Estancia

Kay Sartori (505)582-7283

gypsymamakay@gmail.com

Alex and Rob Wagner

(505)440-0495

alexwagner42@gmail.com

Tumbleweeds 4-H Club

Meets 2nd Thursday @ 6PM

Call for meeting place

Kaycee Chavez (505)301-9676

Kaycee.riley9@gmail.com

4-H Member Ages for 2022-2023 4-H Year

CLOVERBUDS: 5 to 8 years old AND in Kindergarten, 1st, or 2nd grade

NOVICE: 9 to 11 years old or 8 years old AND in the 3rd grade.

JUNIOR: 12 and 13 years old or 11 years old AND in the 6th grade.

SENIOR: 14 -18 years old OR 13 years old AND in the 8th grade

Youth who are 19 on or by December 31 of the current 4-H year (2023) are not eligible to enroll as a 4-H member. **4-H Ages are based on the Member's Age as of January 1, 2023**



NMSU 4-H Youth Development Facebook Page



This page shares club, county and state events, pictures, upcoming activities, community service projects, individual and club successes and much more. The 4-H Facebook page wants to show off what the states 4-H clubs and counties have done. If your club or county has a page, you can simply go in to like the NMSU 4-H Youth Development page <https://www.facebook.com/NMSU4H/> and begin posting things. If you don't have one just send the information to azemler@nmsu.edu and it will be put on the page.

Find more great information to help make your life easier on the NMSU Pinterest boards. CHECK IT OUT HERE <https://www.pinterest.com/nmcoopext/>



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