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### Season's Greetings!

As we give thanks this season, we reflect on the many great 4-H experiences we have the opportunity to be a part of. We are grateful to be able to serve you and your families and especially for all of your hard work and dedication. Most of all, we are thankful for all of the many things we have to look forward to. We hope you are able to enjoy some quiet time this season to recharge for the coming year. Wishing you a joyous Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas filled with good food and good company! Cheers to 2025!



### Important Dates

Dec 10	Shooting Sports Safety meeting – Sportmen's club 5:30 pm
Dec 15	Awards Banquet
Dec 23 –	Extension Office Closed – Happy Holidays!
Jan 1	
Jan 1	Enrollment Deadline for current families
Jan 3	Babysitting Workshop – WR Activity Center 6:00 pm
Jan 9	Meat Pen Chicken Workshop – WR Activity Center 6:00 pm
Jan 15	1st Project order due
Jan 24-26	Senior Leadership Retreat – Glorieta, NM
Feb 4	4-H Day at the Roundhouse – Santa Fe, NM
Feb 7-9	NM Shooting Sports Leader Training – Roswell, NM
Febr 27	Rabbit Project Workshop – White Rock Activity Center 6:00 pm
Mar 1	Enrollment Deadline for new families
Mar 7-9	FCS School – Location TBD
Mar 15	2nd Project order due
Apr 11-13	Youth Getaway – Glorieta, NM

**Reminder**  
County Council meeting  
& Banquet planning  
Monday, December 2, 2025  
Mesa Public Library  
5:00 p.m.

# County News

## LOS ALAMOS COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Boots & Bridles Club  
Meets 3rd Sunday of the month at 12 p.m.

St. Joe's in White Rock  
Contact Denise Hansel:  
[denise0188@gmail.com](mailto:denise0188@gmail.com)

High Country Team 4-H  
Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6 p.m.  
at the White Rock Activity Center

Contact Jenna Stanek:  
[jenna.e.stanek@gmail.com](mailto:jenna.e.stanek@gmail.com)

Team LA Young Guns (Shooting Sports)  
Contact Mike O'Neill: [shotgunoneill@gmail.com](mailto:shotgunoneill@gmail.com)

## Los Alamos County 4-H

### Open Registration!

Get ready for an exciting new 4-H year! We are thrilled to announce that open registration for the upcoming 4-H year is now available. Whether you're enrolling a kindergartener or a high school senior, we welcome all students to join our vibrant and inclusive community. Youth ages 5-18 are welcome to join. There are a variety of projects available from baking to engineering.

**OCT 1, 2024**

#### Key Dates:

- **Registration Opens:** October 1, 2024
- **Current Member Deadline:** January 1, 2025
- **New Member Deadline:** March 1, 2025

#### For More Information:

Call or email the Los Alamos Cooperative Extension Service at 505-662-2656 or [losalamos@nmsu.edu](mailto:losalamos@nmsu.edu).



## 4-H RABBIT PROJECT WORKSHOP



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2025  
WHITE ROCK ACTIVITY CENTER



OPEN TO ALL AGES!!

COME LEARN HOW TO EXHIBIT RABBITS FOR THE COUNTY FAIR!!

## 4-H AWARDS BANQUET

Sunday, December 15, 2024  
Fuller Lodge - 2:00 p.m.

Please sign up [here](#) to bring an appetizer or dessert to share!

## COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Help make Christmas cards for gift bags for the Los Alamos Senior Center.  
Call Jacci Gruninger at 505-662-8920.

## Build a Box, Feed a Senior

This holiday season, you and your family can help one of our homebound seniors fill their pantry with shelf-stable meals.



### How to Donate

- Find a box that is about 12"x 12"
- Fill it with any of the items listed below
- Tape the box up and label it Build A Box
- Drop it off at either Senior Activity Center between December 2-13
- We deliver boxes to our homebound seniors the week of December 16

#### Snacks

- Crackers     Nuts  
 Trail mix     Granola bars  
 Peanut butter

#### Meat, Dairy, Eggs

- Vienna sausages     Canned meat & fish  
 Powdered eggs     Canned soups & chili  
 Powdered milk     Hormel Compleats

#### Grains

- Dried pasta     Rice  
 Pasta sauces     Cereal  
 Ramen noodles     Oatmeal  
 Macaroni and cheese box

#### Fruits & Vegetables

- Beans - dried & canned     Dried fruit  
 Dried mashed potatoes     Canned vegetables  
 Canned vegetable or fruit juice



Betty Ehart Senior Activity Center 505-662-8920  
1011 Bathtub Row  
White Rock Senior Activity Center 505-672-2034  
133 Longview Drive  
[larso.org](http://larso.org)

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**4-H Meat Pen  
Chicken Workshop**

**Thursday, January 9, 2025**  
White Rock Activity Center  
6:00 pm



## County Council Update By Sylvia Stanek

At the county council meeting on November 8th we elected officers; the new officer positions are:  
President: Alex Booton  
Vice-President: Sam Prada  
Secretary: Ben Booton  
Treasurer: Derek Rodriguez  
Reporter: Sylvia Stanek  
Historian: Dylan Rodriguez  
Song and Rec.: Chloe Blackburn  
Parliamentarian: Nick Booton  
We also discussed the basics for the awards banquet. We will meet again on December 2nd to continue prepping for it.



**4-H SHOOTING  
SPORTS  
SAFETY MEETING**

December 10, 2024  
5:30 p.m.  
Los Alamos Sportsmen's Club

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**Mandatory for youth participants  
and parent/guardian in all  
disciplines**  
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New Mexico State University is  
an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer and educator.  
NMSU and the U.S. Department of Agriculture cooperating.  
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If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service to participate, please  
contact Los Alamos Cooperative Extension by August 29th at  
(505) 662-2656 or losalamos@nmsu.edu



**Babysitting  
Workshop**  
White Rock  
Activity Center  
January 3, 2025  
6-7 pm



**ATTENTION!**

**Attention**  
**Rio Arriba County Fair livestock  
exhibitors!!**  
All youth who are planning to show  
**COUNTY BRED**  
**lamb, goat, or beef**  
Please contact Colton Law ASAP  
(505)803-2887



# State News

## New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarships

Youth members who are looking for a way to assist with registration costs with state events can apply for the New Mexico 4-H Community Service Scholarship. The scholarship will cover the registration expenses for Senior Leadership Retreat, Youth Get-Away, Livestock School, Horse School, State 4-H Conference, 4-H International Exchange, FCS School, 4-H Dog School or \$250 of the team fees for serving as a State 4-H Officer or Ambassador.

The applicant can create an original community service plan or work with an organization in creating a new program that will have an impact on the community. The project must be designed and organized by the youth member, then implemented within one year of approval.

Scholarship applications are due two months before the event registration deadline. Scholarship recipients must have their community service report complete and submitted to the State 4-H Office before they can apply again for future events.



**WT** Paul Engler College of  
Agriculture and Natural Sciences  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

**Tex-Mex Horse Judging Clinic**  
February 8, 2025  
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM MST

**Come learn from World Champions and get ready for the 2025 horse judging season.**

The WTAMU Horse Judging Team members will be leading small groups of youth to help them develop and improve their skills in preparing and presenting oral reasons. Please don't miss this opportunity to get a head start on perfecting these skills.

### Roosevelt County Fairgrounds Portales, New Mexico

The clinic is for youth and coaches of all skill levels. Youth will judge video classes and work on reasons in small groups. Youth should bring their own judging notebooks and pencils. Snacks, lunch, and printed materials will be provided for each youth. Registration fee: \$50/youth and \$15/adult to cover lunch costs.

Please register online: <https://easnr.nmsu.edu/>

Registration opens 12/10/24 and closes at 5pm on 1/28/25.

Hosted by Roosevelt County Cooperative Extension Service.

For more information, contact:

Dr. Christy Adams, WTAMU Horse Judging Team Coach [cadams@wtamu.edu](mailto:cadams@wtamu.edu)

Dr. Jason Turner, NMSU Extension Horse Specialist [jturner@nmsu.edu](mailto:jturner@nmsu.edu)



## 4-H Online Horse Bowl

January 27 – 31, 2025

Open to Novice, Junior, and Senior members.

Registration details coming soon!

## Take 10 with 4-H

**December 5, 2024**

Project Clips (12:30 p.m.)



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