



## Los Amigos 4-H

Los Amigos New Mexico Roundup Extravaganza—see schedule below

Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 3:30 pm. Audience is welcome, and adults are encouraged to participate. For our June meeting we will change things up a bit. Get your boots on, it's a rodeo play day. Bring a foil pack dinner for each person in your family who is eating supper. We will have a cooler available to put them in until we are ready to cook them. Be sure to mark it with your name.

Parents are encouraged to participate, and **non-4-H siblings** may participate in **non-horse events only**.

### Schedule of Events:

**3:30- 4:00** Horse Safety training      **4:00** Rodeo entries due      **4:15** Grand Entry and National Anthem  
**4:30** Events begin \*horse required - Barrel Race\*    Flag Race\*    Dummy Roping    Super Soaker Race\*    Surprise Event  
**7:30** Chuckwagon Dinner- foil packs, cobbler, and homemade ice cream.  
**7:45** Awards **PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED** while supper cooks    **8:00** Eat supper

### Foil Pack Recipe

- \*About 1/3-pound raw meat cut into bite sized pieces- hamburger, stew meat, chicken, etc.
- \*Vegetables cut in bite sized pieces- potatoes, onions, carrots, peppers, mushrooms, green beans, etc.
- \*Vegetable oil 1-2 T drizzled over the meal      \*Seasoning-salt, pepper, be creative.

Put all ingredients on large piece of tin foil. Fold the long edges together, & seal and fold the ends up over the packet.

## Painted Horses 4-H Club

We will be doing a Community clean up at the Anton Chico cemetery on Sunday, June 25. Snacks will be provided by Chavez girls. Last meeting Alyssa did her demonstration on how she works her sheep. Kassie showed the kids how to show their animals. Keep working on the projects for county fair. Stay tuned to newsletter for dates and time of things happening.

## SOARING EAGLES 4-H CLUB

Keep working on your 4-H projects for county fair. Any questions let me know.

Leigh Ann is having a county judging fun day June 1st, please call with the number of youth attending for lunch purposes. (see more info in this newsletter) Thank you.

**Next Meeting**    June 21 @ elementary school  
Refreshments& demonstrations - Ruacho Family

\*\*\*\* **IMPORTANT NOTICE** \*\*\*\*

**ALL CLUB DECISIONS/ACTIVITIES/EXPENDITURES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE CLUB ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER** (Los Amigos 4-H Club: Dianne Fuchs; Painted Horses 4-H Club: Renee Tenorio, Soaring Eagles 4-H Club: Leslie Perez)

# THE SHOW BOX

*By John W. Campbell, PhD - College Associate Professor  
Judging Team Coordinator*

This time of year, 4-H'ers, parents, grandparents, leaders and agents are preparing for the next show season, it is time to purchase the new projects. I would like to suggest another type of preparation – THE SHOW BOX. Everyone has one – some are small, some take up half the trailer, some have two or three. Some have wheels, some have beds and some take four grown men to pack from the trailer to the show pen. Some are plastic, some are homemade and some are well designed portable monstrosities which could serve as a bomb shelter if needed. Regardless of their size, shape or construction they are most certainly a necessity for the show barn.

I recall sending our oldest off to “lamb camp” many moons ago with his mom in tow. Now, I grew up showing lambs and mom did not, so my thinking was what a great way to get mom “indoctrinated”. Well, little did I realize how much the show industry had changed in the 20 years I was away. We really did not have a “show box” back then, what we had was more of a “tool box” for clipper blades, oil cans, tools and shearing hand pieces and then a good old cardboard box for the rest of the stuff.

Well after day one of “lamb camp” I received a phone call wanting to know why I did not send a “show box” and where is all the stuff they needed to prepare and show the lambs? I was presented with an arm’s length list of stuff they needed. To save some face, I rushed down to the feed store, grabbed up all I could find and headed to Albuquerque with the insides of a “show box”. I made do with a few plastic containers for our first “show box”. Soon, we purchased a lamb show box, followed by one of the children winning a nice four foot, by three for by three foot metal show box with take-out trays and a padded top (nice for a nap), a nice plastic show box for the horses and we added two hang on the fence pig show boxes over the years. I share my personal story because we didn’t know what we needed when we started but we soon learned and added.

Those with years under your belt in the show barn may not get anything from this, but this is for the rookies and those in the learning stage. I would like to propose that spring is the time to prepare the show box. This time of year you will not have all the stress associated with loading stock before the sun comes up, keeping animals on feed and headed off to the fair just hoping you remembered everything. It is a good time to take everything out of the show box and give it a good wash and sundry. It is amazing what one can find in a show box after the season. For the most part I imagine once the fair is over, everything is tossed in the truck and trailer and unloaded at home without thought to cleaning and removing things from the show box. There is school to catch up on and the season is over and why worry? Well I can remember finding all sorts of things in our show boxes. From ribbons to dirty socks someone tossed in, to rusty clipper blades (Dad messed up), to cash, to some real nice science projects.

So prepare now while you have some time. There are all kinds of lists and suggestions you can find online these days for what should go in a show box, by species. I am not going to recreate the wheel because you can google the lists. In addition, everyone has a different opinion on what should be in the box. Again my target group are the folks new to the show culture. There are camps and Programs you can attend to get a good basic start and suggestion. The seasoned exhibitors in your county will have suggestions. So here is my proposal. If you do not have a show box now is the time to start preparing. Find a good list or get information from folks then get the right size show box to fit your needs. Remember someone has to move this thing once it is ready. If you already have a show box, take everything out, get rid of out of date products, clean the inside and clean the bottles of show magic and fu fu dust before you put it back in. Now you are ready to start fresh for the new show season. One thing done.

Here are a few things I would like to recommend based on 17 show seasons (Remember we started without a show box). Get a large envelope for each fair you will be attending, and put the name of the fair on it. Inside this envelope put a copy of all the rules, paper work and documents you require for entry, even a copy of your entry forms and receipts. When you get to the fair, there it is. Some folks use a three ring binder as well.

Some things we added to our show box (sometimes not on the lists) over the years are:

Something for aches, pains and headaches (Mom and dad need these)

Nail clippers

Bobby pins

Safety Pins (all sizes – never know when you need a hem) A stain stick remover for that fast fix before showmanship Dry socks

Lo-  
tion

Tape

Hair  
ties

Comb or brush – for kids

First aid items (small kit - if needed, there is the urgent care for big hurts) Allergy meds or inhaler if used

Travel size hair spray, gel, toothpaste  
etc. Wire/rope and pliers

Extra batteries for camera and video games or spare charger

Bug spray

Zip ties - all sizes (lots of uses)

Washers for water hose and spray nozzles

Assorted nails and screws

Small note book with pen or pencil

Small stretches of chain (10 to 12 inches)  
Snap clips

A prescription bottle full of quarters. (Never know when you need a late night treat) A football, cards or Frisbee to pass some time.

I realize you may think why all this and how does it fit. Most all of this will fit in small containers inside a zip lock or plastic snap lid container. You want to try to avoid a bunch of loose stuff floating around inside the show box. Organize it by needs and uses in several containers or color code it. These are only suggestions - make it your box.

Now, once you are loaded and ready, make a check list and laminate it. Put it in the show box so all you have to do is clean and restock once you start to prepare for next season. Now your show box is ready to load come fair time. Another added benefit, it is usually less expensive to prepare your show box at home vs depending on vendors at the fair.

# Northern District Contests June 15-16, 2017 Albuquerque, NM

## Thursday, June 15, 2017

- 9:30 - Noon Registration  
Check-in Clothing Garments
- 10 - Noon Open Contests:  
Horticulture  
Wildlife  
Livestock Skill-a-thon  
Home Ec Skill-a-thon  
Entomology
- Noon - 1:00 Lunch on Own
- 1:00 p.m. Opening Session
- 1:30 p.m. Livestock Judging (New Mexico State Fair Grounds)  
Favorite Foods (Novice)  
Fashion Revue Judging  
-Orientation  
-Appearance Judging  
-Clothing Construction  
-Modeling Workshop
- 2:00 p.m. Workshop #1-
- 3:00 p.m. Favorite Foods (Junior)
- 5:00 p.m. Style Review and Awards Program

Evening on your own

## Friday, June 16, 2017

- 8:00 a.m. Presentations  
Consumer Decision Making
- 9:00 a.m. Horse Judging (New Mexico State Fair Grounds)  
Talent Contest
- Workshop #2
- Noon - 1:00 Lunch on Own
- 1:00 p.m. Prepared Speech & Poetry  
Impromptu  
Horse Bowl  
Workshop #3
- 3:00 p.m. Talent Show and Awards Program

## DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS: Friday June 9th

Albuquerque's Best Kept Secret: MCM Elegante Hotel \$74 plus tax  
20202 Menaul NE, Alb. NM [www.mcmelegantealbuquerque.com](http://www.mcmelegantealbuquerque.com)  
Call toll free 1-866-650-4900 ask for Northern District 4H Contest rate  
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# STATE 4-H CONFERENCE Theme: DO More, GROW More, BE More



**When:** July 10-13, 2017

**Where:** Las Cruces, New Mexico

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, June 14th, 2017

State 4-H Conference is held every July on the NMSU Campus. The Conference consists of contests, workshops, evening sessions, awards ceremony, and the election of new State Officers. **Youth are required to sign up to compete in two contests. Due to the fact that Leigh Ann will be attending a National Conference, parents will have to be willing to commit to taking their youth.**

## State Conference Speaker - Michael Cuestas

Michael Cuestas has established himself as part of the next generation of relevant Youth Speakers with a message that will have your audience laughing and maybe even singing.

Michael grew up in poverty without knowing his father. He has lived in a homeless shelter, a center for victims of domestic violence, and even a tent. Michael was able to persevere through these struggles and did not allow them to tell him he is less than. He encourages students to be leaders, know that their choices never diminish their worth, and to know that they are greater than any obstacle that may come their way.

He connects with teens at a level that is rarely seen amongst today's youth speakers via his personal stories, entertaining humor, and compelling message.

Michael graduated college with a B.S. in Business Administration and has worked for 6 different Fortune 500 companies. Michael lives in Minnesota with his beautiful wife and his three adorable little girls.

Monday  
Dance  
Theme

A vertical green banner with the text 'Monday Dance Theme' at the top. Below the text are two images: a zebra and a tree with the word 'Safari' written in a stylized font, and a compass and a hat.

Tuesday  
Dance  
Theme

A vertical light blue banner with the text 'Tuesday Dance Theme' at the top. Below the text are three images: a vinyl record with the words 'ROCK N ROLL' in red, a guitar, and a guitar with a musical staff.

Wednesday  
Dance  
Theme

A vertical yellow banner with the text 'Wednesday Dance Theme' at the top. Below the text is the word 'Disney' in a large, stylized font. Below that are two images: a collage of Disney characters and another collage of Disney characters.



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If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of an auxiliary aid or service to participate in these activities, please call the Guadalupe County Extension at 472-3652.



Do a friends search under NMSU Guadalupe County CES :)

**Please check your club news and Read the **WHOLE** newsletter for all Information 😊**

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

EVARISTO TENORIO 12TH

ADRIAN HERN 16TH



## County Fun Day & Judging

Thursday, June 1st

10 am—2 pm

Lunch provided

Multi-use—Hwy 91

Come have some fun

Learning 4-H style

Questions call office

472-3652