



**The University of Arizona  
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**4-H News of La Paz County**

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**October 2005**

**Calendar of Events**

**Forms, Newsletters and Leader Information Available at:**

**<http://cals.arizona.edu/lapaz/4-h/index.html>**

- 1      New 4-H Year Begins**
- 7      Beef Ownership Deadline**
- 10     4-H Council Meeting, Extension Office- 6:30 pm**
- 11     “True Colors” Personality Seminar, Parker 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church, 6pm**  
**COUNTY EVENT**
- 15     Junior Gymkhana, Parker Western Park, 8 am COUNTY EVENT**  
**Recognition Day Set Up, Parker High School Cafeteria, 2 pm**
- 16     Recognition Day- Parker High School Cafeteria, 2 pm COUNTY EVENT**
- 20     Quality Assurance Workshop, Parker 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church, 6pm**  
**COUNTY EVENT**
- 27     Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat (Parker), Pop Harvey Park,**  
**5 pm COUNTY EVENT**



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Extension Agent

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# News and Views



## **Parents.....We Need More Leaders!!!**

Yes, YOU could be a 4-H Youth Development Volunteer!!! There are many positions available from being a leader of a small project group to special events coordinator, publicity, fundraising, fair superintendents, community service coordinators, the list goes on and on!

Volunteer applications are available by calling the Extension Office at 669-9843. All volunteers must be certified for the protection of the volunteer as well as the youth they work with. Training is provided.

## **Insurance Information- PLEASE READ!!!**

The University of Arizona requires that all meetings and activities held by certified leaders must be on record at the Extension Office prior to actually taking place if the liability insurance is to be in effect. To make this as manageable as possible for you and the office, we are asking that you list all meetings and activities (other than official county and state events) which you will conduct this year on the extension form or on a sheet of paper. You must list the date, time, and location of each activity. This requires a little bit of planning, but it will be very useful. The Extension Office recommends making copies of the form and distributing it out to all of the members so they will be able to plan for the events.

For those of you who are interested in purchasing animal insurance, contact Farm Bureau Insurance at 669-2437.

## **Come Learn About Yourself-Attend the Personality Workshop**

Be a part of an educational and fun event! Maricopa 4-H agent Juanita Waits will conduct a True Colors workshop that will assist you in learning about yourself and how to use your personality to the best of your abilities. The workshop will be held at the Parker First Baptist Church on October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. For more information, contact the Extension Office.

## **Signing Up for an Animal Project and Need to Know the Basics?**

State rules require that youth who sell market animals must be certified in Quality Assurance methods at least every 3 years. 4-H Agent Brent Strickland will provide you the training you need to be certified and provide helpful hints to make sure you and your animal have a successful year.

## **Character Corner**

### Persistence

Nothing in the world takes the place of persistence.

Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful people with talent.

Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb.

Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts.

Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent.

Author Unknown





# Happenings



## **Get Involved in “Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat”**

Community Service is important and all 4-H members are encouraged to participate in this worthwhile project that benefits the food bank in our community. Members and parents will be organized into small groups who will go house to house asking for canned food items.

The Parker area clubs will be collecting on October 27th. 4-H members should meet at Pop Harvey Park at 5:00 pm. Parents are needed to stay and help transport and chaperone each group as they go collecting. Trick Or Treat So Others Can Eat has been adopted as a state wide 4-H Community Service Project and it is an official county event for La Paz County 4-H. Identification nametags will be available for everyone to wear as they go collecting.

Bouse and Salome Club will also be conducting the event in their towns. Contact your club leader to get more information.

4-H Council has determined that youth who have an excused reason to not attend the event can still get credit if they donate 20 cans of food to the club leader or the 4-H Office.



**LAST YEAR WE COLLECTED OVER 2,500 POUNDS OF FOOD  
LETS GO FOR 3,000 THIS YEAR!!!!**



## **Important Animal Information**

Beef- Ownership Deadline- October 7<sup>th</sup>

Suggested starting weight is 800 pounds. Beef can be no more than 24 months old at fair and weigh at least 1,000 pounds (Suggested weight is 1,250 pounds). Youth must be able to handle and control the steer alone with one lead rope.

All Other Animals

Ownership Deadline- December 5<sup>th</sup>, also last day to enroll in 4-H animal projects.

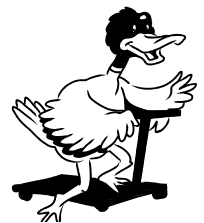
Swine- Suggested starting weight by December is at least 50 pounds. Swine must weigh between 210 and 275 pounds at fair.

Dee Scott is trying to coordinate a shipment of swine being delivered to Parker, cost would be \$100 per swine. Contact her at 669-9234.

Lamb- All breeds must weigh at least 100 pounds and not have their yearling tooth visible at fair.

Goats- Must be dehorned and be less than 1 year old at time of fair.

Rabbits- Must provide pedigree at time of ownership deadline.



# LA PAZ COUNTY 4-H A CLOVER COSTUME CELEBRATION



*You Are invited to the annual 4-H Recognition Program honoring all members, leaders and friends of 4-H.*

*October 16, 2005 at 2:00 pm*

*Parker High School located at 1600 S Kofa Ave. Parker, AZ*

*A special award will be presented to the club with the highest percentage of attendance at Recognition Day. This will be based on 2004-2005 club enrollment, so every club has an equal chance of winning! Every person in the family will count, so bring everybody!*

*What to bring: your favorite dessert with serving utensil  
Questions: contact the 4-H Office at 669-9843  
Special Prize given to the best and most unique costume.*

*Door prizes needed*



*Each Community Club is asked to donate 2 items to be given as door prizes.  
Additional Prizes are welcome.*

*Please turn them in at the registration table when you arrive on October 16, 2005.*

# JUNIOR GYMKHANA

OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>

8 am - Noon

AT WESTERN PARK

Set-up & Sign-up begins at 8 am

Events start at 9 am

We have to be out of the arena by noon



*Come join the fun...* Preliminary Schedule of events:

Open Barrel Racing - 1 class only open to all ages

Open Pole Bending - 1 class only open to all ages

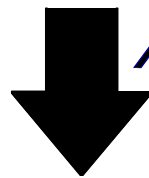
Events for younger children include:

Best Dressed Boy and Girl - Winners will be recognized at the Rodeo Saturday evening.

Stick Horse Race

Dummy Roping

Egg & Spoon Race



*Note This Date*

The November Annual Gymkhana Family Fun day is scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup>. This will be a County Event. We are looking for volunteers and welcome clubs who want to set up food and drink booths

For more information, call:

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