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If you require a disability accommodation in order to participate in any of the 4-H YDP events, please contact Leah Harrelson at 559-684-3322, at least two weeks before the event.
2013 4-H SUMMER CAMP SEEKS JUNIOR CAMP STAFF – APPLY NOW

Had a great year at 4-H Summer Camp last summer and the Camp Committee is looking forward to this next year. The 2013 4-H Summer camp will be at the YMCA Lake Sequoia Camp Gains, scheduled for June 23 – 28, 2013.

The 4-H Camp Committee is looking for enthusiastic, energetic and outdoor type 4-H members who are interested in the positions of Junior Camp Staff.

Eligibility: To be qualified to hold a Junior Camp Staff position applicants must be in the 10th grade and above.

Qualifications:
- Has some experience in a camp program, preferably 4-H Camp if not a school, church, or other camp program plus. This is not required and other experiences can be substituted.
- Has had experience in a leadership role and or as a Junior or teen leader demonstrating leadership abilities and maturity of judgment.
- Is willing to take an active role in the pre-camp planning stages as well as participate during camp week.
- Has initiative and enthusiasm.
- Enjoys being in the outdoors.
- Has some type of camp skills (i.e. crafts, hiking, sports, recreation, storytelling, song leading, and fishing) or willing to learn.

Junior Camp Director:
Junior Camp Staff applicants will be able to also apply for one of four Junior Camp Director positions. The four Junior Camp Director Positions will be replacing the Junior Camp Staff Supervisor position which will no longer be available. The four Junior Camp Staff Director Positions are as follows:

- Junior Camp Staff Director of Sports: Water, Field, Fishing, and Shooting Sports
- Junior Camp Staff Director of Recreation: Dance/Carnival/Inside games includes mealtime
- Junior Camp Staff Director of Crafts: Craft shed staffing and activities
- Junior Camp Staff Director of Campfire: Welcome, all campfires, closing

The Junior Camp Staff Directors will select from the Junior Camp Staff, assistants to help in organizing and planning their department activities. Selection will be based on Junior Camp Staff application survey.

Qualifications for Junior Camp Staff Director:
- Has had previous experience at 4-H Camp as Junior Camp Staff.
- Has had experience in a leadership role and or as a Junior or teen leader demonstrating leadership abilities and maturity of judgment.
- Willing to take on management role, able to delegate and work well with peers.
- Is willing to take an active role in the pre-camp planning stages as well as participate during the camp week.
- Has initiative and enthusiasm.
- Enjoys being in the outdoors.
- Has some camp skills related to director position applying (i.e. crafts, hiking, sports, recreation, storytelling, song leading, and fishing).

Applications:
One application is used for the Junior Camp Staff and Junior Camp Staff Director Positions. To apply for the Junior Camp Director Position you will simply fill out the Director addendum.

Due Date:
Applications are due or post marked no later than Friday, December 28, 2012, to the Cooperative Extension Office. No late applications or faxes will be accepted.

Interviews:
Interviews will be held Thursday, January 10, 2013. Applicants will be notified when they are to arrive.

The 4-H Staff and Camp Committee are looking forward to a great summer at the 2013 4-H Camp. Look for Camper Registration to be coming out after the first of the year.

Applications:
Available online: http://cetulare.ucdavis.edu or at the Cooperative Extension Office.

FAVORITE FOODS DAY

When: Saturday, February 23, 2013.
Time: Check-In will be in accordance with entry item: See FFD Booklet for specifics.
Where: Tulare County Agricultural Building, 4437 S. Laspina St., Tulare.
Deadline: All entries must be entered online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2013FFDENTRY by February 4, 2013.

All members enrolled in either Foods & Nutrition, Food Preservation, Vegetable Gardening and Crops, Indoor and Mini Gardens, Beginning 4-H, and Cake Decorating projects, are encouraged to participate in this event. Any 4-H member, regardless of project, can enter the Table Setting Competition.

Favorite Foods Day booklet and guidelines available at the Cooperative Extension Office and online at: http://cetulare.ucanr.edu/4-Program/Event_Booklets_Results_-__Information/
HORSE PROJECT UPDATES

The following Horse Project dates have been set:

- Educational Day - December 1 or 8: Pacific Crest Equine. Specific Date and time will be emailed out. Contact Jo-Wayne Lyons at 559-594-4065.
- Skills Day – Saturday, February 2 (Tentative date) Location is being secured.
- Practice Day - April 13 or 14. Location is being secured.
- Horse Achievement Day – Saturday, June 1, Porterville Fairgrounds location secured.

For more information please contact the 4-H office at 559-684-3303.

DOG PROJECT UPDATES

A tentative date of January 12, for a County Dog Day on Showmanship, time and place TBD. Stacey Vehrs is contacting an instructor.

The canine good citizen program will be worked on by some clubs in order to ready those 4-H dog project members and their dogs who would like to participate in the Pet Therapy program. Contact with Paws 4 Healing has been made. They have several volunteers who have started visiting the Tulare Hospital. They will be holding a training session in Feb or March. Cost for 8 hour training and evaluation of the dog for suitability to be a volunteer is $100. This training is above and beyond the 4-H dog project, but any member who wants to become a Paws 4 Healing volunteer can get set up to take the test.

The Canine Good Citizen program further instills proper obedience and showmanship skills for both the member and their dog. The Canine Good Citizen program will help all the kids as they work on obedience even if they don’t become Pet Therapy volunteers.

Dog Achievement Day will remain on the Friday of the Tulare County 4-H Field Day. A survey of members found they felt Friday held fewer distractions (pygmy goats in the pens, chickens, etc).

For more information, contact Beth Koenig by email at koenig@clearwire.net or the 4-H Office.

NEW OPPORTUNITIES AT 2013 4-H FIELD DAY FOR 4-H MEMBERS

Fashion Review opportunities for all members

The following categories do not have project requirements:

- Consumer Science Purchased Category: This category entails the 4-H member to come up with an outfit for $19.99 or less, shoes and sales tax not included. Receipts for all items showing except shoes are required, with purchases made during the 2012-2013 4-H year.
- The Wearable Art category: The 4-H member embellishes a purchased garment and then coordinates an outfit to go with it to present to the judges.
- Duct tape Category: Create a wearable garment out of duct tape such as a jacket, shirt, pants, skirt or dress. The member may choose to begin with a purchased garment or not. Additional garments, accessories, fabric and materials may be added.

New for the Clothing and Textiles project members:

- 2 Yard Wonder Challenge: Using a 2 yard length of 100% cotton fabric, sew a garment and an accessory. You can use less fabric but not more for the garment and accessory. There is no specific pattern requirement. Additional garments to complete the outfit may be sewn or purchased. Take a “before” photo of the member holding the piece of fabric and an “after” photo wearing the outfit. The entry must be sewn by the member as part of his/her 4-H Clothing & Textiles project.

Club or individual 4-H member community service opportunity:

The State Field Day Fashion Review is coordinating the following service projects: (Patterns and instructions will be posted on the State 4-H Field Day web page soon!)

- The first is a small stuffed animal.
- The second is a drawstring bag.
- The third is “Little Dresses & Shorts for Africa.
- SFR will continue to accept quilts for troops to pass on.

These service project items can be taken to the State field day by the member or coordinate with someone from the county who will be attending. You do not have to go to the state field day to participate in these service projects.

Presentation Opportunities:

There will be a new Presentation category offered at the 2013 4-H field day, a 4-H Creed Contest. This contest is offered for Junior, Intermediate and Senior divisions with two sub categories; memorized and recitation. The 4-H member will present the 4-H Creed according to the contest guidelines, followed by a series of questions.
limited to a three minute period. In addition, there will be a 4-H Pledge event for Primary members. The primary member will recite the 4-H Pledge according to the guidelines and then will be asked questions. The primary members are not judged, but will receive, a comment card, certificate and participation ribbon. Full contest guidelines can be found on the 4-H website at: http://cetulare.ucdavis.edu

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS WORKSHOP
RIFLE DISCIPLINE BAKERSFIELD, CA

Saturday, January 12, 2013 – 8:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.
Sunday, January 13, 2013 – 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at UC Cooperative Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue in Bakersfield. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu or telephone 661-868-6216. (This course is not open to 4-H leaders from Santa Cruz County).

4-H ARCHERY CERTIFICATION TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS AND JUNIOR/TEEN LEADERS

A 4-H Archery Certification Training for volunteers and junior/teen leaders will be offered Saturday, January 19th, 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M., and Sunday, January 20th, 8:00 A.M.- 12:00 noon, at the Livermore-Pleasanton Rod & Gun Club, 4000 Dagnino Road, Livermore, CA 94551 in Alameda County. You must be an enrolled 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is $50 per person to include a resource binder, range fees, and Saturday lunch. Overnight RV parking, water & power only, is available for an additional fee.

To register, please complete and mail the “CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form” available at http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf, and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a $50 check payable to “De Arroyo 4-H Club” to Jennifer Siders, 4967 Erica Way, Livermore, CA 94550. Registration is due Monday, January 7th and space is limited. For more information call Jenny at 925-321-6009 or email her at jsiders@gmail.com.

CLUB HOLIDAY BREAK IDEA!

Are you looking for an activity for your club or project group over the holiday break? How about a tour of the AgVentures! Learning Center & Tractor Museum? Admission is only $3.00 per youth and Adult fees are waived for field trips. You can visit agventures.internationalagricenter.com and/or contact Kerissa Chapman, AgVentures!/Ag Education Coordinator | International Agri-Center T 559-688-1030 | F 559-688-5527 4500 South Laspina Street | Tulare, CA 93274.

WAS YOUR CLUB REPRESENTED AT LEADER COUNCIL?

The following clubs were represented at the November 19 meeting: Burton 4-H, Ducor 4-H, Elbow Creek 4-H, Exeter 4-H, Oakdale 4-H, Pleasant View 4-H; Prairie Center 4-H, Springville 4-H, St. Aloysius 4-H, Tulare 4-H, Valley Life 4-H, and Wilson-Dinuba 4-H. Thank you all for attending!

CALL ON THE ALL STARS

Does your club want to learn more about leadership opportunities for members outside the club program? Contact the Tulare County All Stars and they will come to your Community Club meeting to talk about becoming a Tulare County All Star, being a part of Hi 4-H, Junior Camp Staff, LCORT and State Leadership Conference. Contact Kristin Childress at 559-280-4516.

PORTERVILLE FAIR TAGGING DATES

Please mark your calendars with the following tagging dates to be held at the Porterville Fairgrounds, 2700 W. Teapot Dome, Porterville. Open to all Tulare County 4-H members. Contact Porterville Fair Office at 559-781-6582 with any questions.

Beef:
- Sunday, December 16, 2012, 1:00 – 2:30 P.M. (Hoof Trimmer)
- Sunday, January 13, 2013, 1:00 – 3:00 P.M. (Showmanship Workout)

Swine, Sheep, & Goats:
- Saturday, March 2, 2013, 9:00 A.M. - Noon
- Sunday, March 3, 2013, 1:00 – 3:00 P.M.
Please note: University policy requires an Advisor or County Director to submit all grant applications and fulfill the requirements of UC ANR Contracts & Grants. If you plan to apply for any of the following opportunities, please notify the California 4-H Foundation (aleeland@ucanr.edu) who will review your application prior to submission to insure that it is as strong as possible.

- **2013 ESRI GIS Grant Program for 4-H**  
  **Due to the State 4-H Office by November 26, 2013**  
  (due to National by December 1, 2013)  
  [http://www.esri.com/industries/k-12/~media/Files/Pdfs/industries-k-12/4-h/pdfs/arcgis-youth-club-grant.pdf](http://www.esri.com/industries/k-12/~media/Files/Pdfs/industries-k-12/4-h/pdfs/arcgis-youth-club-grant.pdf)  
  The 2013 Esri ArcGIS Youth Club Grant Program is for 4-H clubs who want to learn about GPS or GIS technologies and introduce spatial literacy and geospatial technologies to youth. The ArcGIS Youth Club grant provides two options for access to Esri’s GIS technology: ArcGIS Desktop or an ArcGIS online subscription. The grant provides access to curriculum and GIS software.

- **Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarships**  
  **Deadline: December 5**  
  Sodexo Foundation is accepting applications through December 5 for the Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarships. These scholarships recognize students (kindergarten-graduate school) working to end domestic hunger with $5,000 for college and $5,000 to help those in need. [http://bit.ly/Rc7meR](http://bit.ly/Rc7meR)

- **The People, Prosperity and the Planet Grant**  
  **Deadline: December 11**  
  EPA’s P3 – People, Prosperity, and the Planet—Program is a unique college competition for designing solutions for a sustainable future. P3 offers students quality hands-on experience that brings their classroom learning to life. The competition has two phases. For the first phase of the competition, teams are awarded a $15,000 grant to develop their idea. They bring the design in April to the National Sustainable Design Expo in Washington DC to compete for the P3 Award and a grant of $90,000 to take their design to real world application. For general information visit: [www.epa.gov/p3](http://www.epa.gov/p3). Grant: [http://www.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2013/2013_p3.html](http://www.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2013/2013_p3.html)

- **Champions for Healthy Kids Program**  
  **General Mills Foundation**  
  **Deadline: December 3, 2012**  
  Through the Champions for Healthy Kids program, the General Mills Foundation will award grants to nonprofit organizations working to improve nutrition and physical fitness behaviors for youth ages 2-18. Fifty grants of $10,000 are available to select applicants. Nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply. For more information visit: [http://content.generalmills.com/en/Responsibility/community_engagement/Grants/Champions_for_healthy_kids.aspx](http://content.generalmills.com/en/Responsibility/community_engagement/Grants/Champions_for_healthy_kids.aspx)

- **Sodexo Foundation Youth Grants**  
  **Deadline: January 31**  
  More than 16 million children live in food insecure homes, not always sure where their next meal will come from. That’s why YSA and Sodexo Foundation are calling on young people to “take hunger personally” and join the fight to end childhood hunger. Sodexo Foundation Youth Grants of $500 grants are available for youth-led service projects that bring together young people, families, Sodexo employees and other community members to address childhood hunger. U.S. young people, ages 5-25, are eligible to apply. Projects will take place on or around Global Youth Service Day, April 26-28, 2013. [www.YSA.org/grants/sodexoyouth](http://www.youthserviceamerica.org/grants/sodexoyouth)

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**STATE 4-H NEWS – DATES & DEADLINES**

- **How Kids Learn II**  
  **January 9, 2013, San Francisco**  
  The purpose of this TED-like, one-day conference is to inform and energize youth program leaders, educators and afterschool stakeholders regarding our current knowledge on how kids learn and to share innovative approaches to promote learning outside of the classroom.

- **The 2013 4-H Honey Bee Essay Contest** sponsored by the Foundation for the Preservation for Honey Bees, Inc., has made the essay criteria and application information available for those interested. The deadline for application submission is on or before **February 15, 2013**. Click [here](http://www.howkidslearn.org/) for full essay application details.

- **The University of California, Davis College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Field Day on March 1st and 2nd**  
  The UC Davis CA&ES Field Day is the 2013 California 4-H State Qualifier for Poultry, Dairy and Livestock judging. Visit [http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Animal/SLJC/](http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Animal/SLJC/) for state qualifying guidelines.

To register, go to:  
[<http://calaged.csuchico.edu/registration/>](http://calaged.csuchico.edu/registration/)

Select the event (2013 U.C. Davis Agricultural & Environmental Sciences Field Day). Choose the link “Get Access Code”. Complete the information on the form and click the register button. Please include 4-H next to your club name on the registration form. On the following page save the registration code and register later or simply continue with the registration at this
point. Note that you may only register once so be prepared to complete the registration or contact us if you have any changes. After your club is registered, we request that you submit a printed copy of your online registration along with your payment. Checks should be made payable to “UC Regents” and mailed to:
Attn: Francesca Ross, College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, One Shields Avenue
Davis, CA 95616

Deadlines:
November 14: Registration opened
February 10: AgriScience Fair and Job Interview materials due
February 10: Registration closed
February 17: Payments must be postmarked – We are now enforcing a $25 late fee for payments postmarked after the 17th.
For questions email fieldday@ucdavis.edu or visit http://caes.ucdavis.edu/fieldday

• Calling all camp professionals! The Tri-State Camp Conference, held in Atlantic City, NJ from March 12-15, 2013, gives like-minded individuals the chance to come together and share experiences, ideas, and tips about the camp industry. With over 3000 professionals, more than 180 educational sessions, and our 300+ booth exhibit hall, the Tri-State Camp Conference is something you don’t want to miss out on.

• Western Region Leader Forum – March 21 – 24, 2013 in Hawaii
Hawaii 4-H members, volunteers, faculty and staff are looking forward to seeing you in Hawaii March 21 – 24, 2013 for the Western Region Leader Forum. The conference site is the Waikiki Beach Marriott and Resort (800-848-8100). Refer to code, WR4A, to the person taking your reservation. Registration for the forum may be completed by going to: http://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/wr4a/
Deadline for Regular Registration is December 31, 2012 - $375
Deadline for Hotel room Rate of $179 is February 21, 2013 - $425

• Applications for the 2012 President’s Environmental Youth Award are due December 31.
The PEYA program promotes awareness of our nation’s natural resources and encourages positive community involvement. Projects are developed by young individuals, school classes (K-12), summer camps and youth organizations to promote environmental stewardship. Visit www.epa.gov/peya for more information. Submit your Revolution of Responsibility project!!!

• Save the Date: 4-H CA Focus will be June 14-18, 2013. Registration will be available on December 30, 2012. For questions, contact Jenna Colburn, jcolburn@ucanr.edu.

• Save the Date: 4-H State Leadership Conference 2013 – July 25-28, 2013 at UC Davis
http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/
The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. More information will be released in January 2013.

• November 8-10, 2013
SAVE the Date!
State Leaders Forum “100 years and Thriving,” is at the Crowne Plaza, Sacramento, hosted by the State 4-H Council. Sandy Cohen president of the council can be contacted at state4council@yahoo.com. Attend your Sectional Council meeting to find out more information. Friend us on Facebook, and follow us on twitter to keep up with updates. More information will be provided as it become available.
The 4-H hat is a source of pride for the California 4-H Youth Development Program, as we are the only state to have such a 4-H club hat. Many members use the hat to display their achievement pins and to wear during fairs. A 4-H hat is NOT required for membership in the California 4-H Program or for participation in any 4-H activity, event, or meeting.

**Green Hat**
Junior 4-H members, defined as a 4-H member in the eighth grade and below (or 13 years old and younger)

**White Hat**
Senior 4-H members, defined as a 4-H member who has graduated from the eighth grade (or 14 years old and older)

**Stars, stripes, and medals:**
- Left side of hat - All-star, platinum, gold, silver, or bronze stars in front. Members may "cascade" the stars, although some counties request that members only wear their current star. Behind the stars are placed the junior/teen leader emblems and the Hi 4-H patch (in that order).
- Right side of hat - A year stripe and year pin is earned for each year completed in 4-H.
  1. Junior and primary members (8th grade and below) wear a white stripe on green background for that year.
  2. Junior leaders (6th, 7th, 8th grades) wear a gold stripe on green background for that year.
  3. Senior members (9th grade and up) wear a green stripe with a white background for that year.
  4. Teen leaders (9th grade and up) wear a gold stripe on white background for that year.
  5. All-stars wear a purple stripe on white background (in many counties) for that year.

Year pins are fastened to the hat above the stripe, starting with the first year pins next to the 4-H clover. The 100% attendance pin, if earned, should be fastened to the hat below the stripe of the year that the pin was earned.

- Either side - Medals may be worn on either side of the hat, but placing them on the left is recommended.

Note - No other pin or ribbon should be worn on the hat other than 4-H related items. The hat should reflect the dignity of the 4-H Youth Development program. Some items that should not be worn on the hat include buttons, fair medals, convention badges or other regalia.

**Example:**

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**BECOME A JUNIOR OR TEEN LEADER!!!!!**

The 4-H Leadership Development Project is designed to provide intermediate and senior members with the opportunity to learn about the qualities and competencies needed to become a leader. Leadership is not doing things for the group, it is helping the group decide what is done and how. Junior leaders provide assistance while teen leaders assume more challenging leadership roles. Talk to your club leader if you are interested in becoming a junior or teen leader. You must also be signed up for the Leadership Development Project (8-J) to be a junior or teen leader in a specific project.

Junior or Teen leaders are covered by member insurance and are not covered by the University’s liability insurance, which applies only to adult volunteers. As junior and teen leaders, 4-H members have sufficient knowledge and experience to function in teaching and administrative roles, but they are unable to assume the responsibilities of adult volunteers.

**Age requirements:**
- Junior Leader: Grades 6-8
- Teen Leader: 9th Grade and older (or 14 years old by December 31.)
HINTS FOR NEW 4-H MEMBERS

By Leah Harrelson, 4-H Program Manager

The following are some suggestions for new members to help you get the most out of your 4-H experience.

Attend all your club and project meeting, if possible. If you must miss a meeting for health and/or family emergency reasons, be sure to let your leaders know before the meeting and arrange for makeup, if necessary. That is part of learning to be a responsible person.

Read newsletters from your club and the county newsletter, the “4-H Connection”, this is sent to families every month electronically. This will help you know about important dates and activities for your participation. Important participation deadlines are also published!

Ask questions when you do not understand or need help. Key club and project leaders, teen leaders, county All Stars, and the Cooperative Extension Office are all here to help you. Good luck with your involvement and above all, have fun!

DAIRY PROJECT MEMBERS
SAVE THE DATE

Dairy Project Leaders met and have set a date for the Tulare County 4-H Dairy Day. An “In and Out” Dairy Show is schedule for Saturday, May 5. The day will begin with a showmanship and fitting clinic to be followed by classes and then a BBQ for all! More information will be available soon.

Dairy Leaders are invited to a meeting on Wednesday, January 9, at the 4-H office to finalize details for this event. The meeting will be at noon. Pizza and Milk will be provided. Please RSVP to Leah Harrelson by Monday, January 7, if you plan on attending.

YOU’RE INVITED TO A DAIRY FIELD DAY

What: Macey Pearson’s, Kings County, 4-H Emerald Star Project
When: February 9, 2013, 10:00 A.M.
Where: Kings Fairgrounds in Hanford, CA

Stations will include nutrition, showmanship, bedding, washing and show box, judging, and veterinary science. Lunch provided, prizes for all, and t-shirts to the first 25 who RSVP by January 15, 2013. Spread the word – exhibitors from Kings and Tulare Counties are welcome to attend!

Name _________________________________________
Age_________________ Shirt Size________________
Address _______________________________________
Phone Number_____________ Email________________

Return the above form to: Dairy Field Day, 2244 Charlie Chambers Drive, Hanford, CA 93230.

If you have any questions, call 559-583-0240 or email: kcrclan@comcast.net

IS YOUR 4-H ENROLLMENT INFORMATION CORRECT?

If you have had any changes to your name, address, phone number, email address, project information, or any other changes that need to be made to your 4-H profile information contact Shari at 559-684-3303 or email to: sconnell@co.tulare.ca.us

E.M. THARP AND WORLD AG EXPO
ANNOUNCE “WE BELIEVE IN GROWING” SCHOLARSHIP

World Ag Expo and E.M. Tharp, Inc. have teamed up for the seventh year to provide the “We Believe in Growing” scholarship, created to support agricultural education. High school seniors from Madera, Fresno, Tulare, Kings and Kern counties are encouraged to apply by January 18, 2013 to be considered. Two $10,000 scholarships will be awarded to students who attend a four-year university to major in an agricultural field. The scholarships will be disbursed over four years at $2,500 per year.

To be considered for the scholarship, students must submit two letters of recommendation; one copy of their high school transcripts; ACT or SAT scores and be graduating from high school during the 2012-2013 school year.

Information is available at the following website: http://www.worldagexpo.com/-we-believe-in-growing-scholarship
ATTENTION CLUB REPRESENTATIVES AND INTERESTED LEADERS AND YOUTH!

Important information and meeting dates for December and January:

December 8-9, California State 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Meeting, Visalia Police Association Range, 7400 Ave. 328, Visalia, CA

December 16, Beef Tagging at Porterville Fair, 1:00 – 2:30 P.M., 2700 W. Teapot Dome, Porterville

December 24-25, Cooperative Extension Office Closed

December 28, DUE OR POSTMARKED: 4-H Camp Junior Camp Staff Applications to Cooperative Extension Office, 4437-B S. Laspina St., Tulare, CA 93274

January 1, Cooperative Extension Office Closed

January 9, Dairy Leader Meeting for Tulare County 4-H Dairy Day, 12:00 Noon, Tulare County 4-H Office.

January 10, Junior Camp Staff Interviews

January 12, County Dog Day, TENTATIVE DATE

January 12-13, 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop – Rifle Discipline, Bakersfield, CA

January 13, Beef Tagging at Porterville Fair, 1:00 – 3:00 P.M., 2700 W. Teapot Dome, Porterville

January 17, Shooting Sports Meeting, Cooperative Extension Office

January 19-20, 4-H Archery Certification Training, Livermore-Pleasanton Rod & Gun Club, 4000 Dagnino Rd., Livermore, CA

January 22, Indoor Advisory Meeting, 6:00 – 7:00 P.M., Tulare County Agricultural Building

January 22, Ag Advisory Meeting, 7:00 P.M., Tulare County Agricultural Building
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