Hello Everyone,

We are in the process of enrolling for the 2011-2012 4-H year. Each member or leader will be required to enroll in the California 4-H Online program through the internet.

To find guidance on how to do this, go to our new web site at http://cecentralsierra.ucanr.org/4-H_Youth_Development/Joining_4-H/.

In the left side listing you can find and follow the instructions through Steps 1, 2, and 3. For specific information about Amador County, click on the Amador County tag. Our enrollment fees are - $25 for members and $11 for leaders.

Forgot your password or have a new email? Click "I forgot my password" in the online enrollment system to get an email with a new password. The email goes to the address you entered in the registration system last year. If you have a new email or forgot what you entered last year, call the 4-H Office at 530-621-5503 or see the 4-H Online Enrollment Assistance.

Do not create a new profile. If you were in 4-H last year, you already have a profile. For online assistance you can fill out a form for our enrollment administrator who will get back to you and help with the enrollment process. If you have difficulty getting through the process, call me at 223-6484 and I will assist you.

For families that do not have a computer you can make an appointment with me to sign up at my office using my computer or go to the county library to use theirs.

If you have issues that prevent you from signing up, call me and I can help.

Thank you. Larry

Amador County Website has changed

With the new merger and creation of the Cooperative Extension, Central Sierra, the Amador County website has changed!

Please familiarize yourself with the new website and link: http://ucanr.org/sites/AC4H/

From this homepage you can access ALL counties in the multi-county partnership!

If you have time, check out 4-H in other counties. It is always fun to see how other counties run their 4-H programs in comparison to ours.

Past editions of the Diggings, forms and all club information pertinent to you will be listed under the Amador County section.

Please call the 4-H Office if you are having trouble locating something on the new site.
This year’s Presentation Day is January 28th.

WHAT EXACTLY IS PRESENTATION DAY?

4-H presentations are a special sharing time when members show the skills they’ve acquired to others. Presentation Day gives 4-H members the opportunity to show others what they have learned in their current 4-H projects.

WHAT IS A PRESENTATION?

It is a planned demonstration or illustrated talk which explains or illustrates by using examples. To demonstrate is to teach by showing – learning by doing! Show someone how to tie his shoes, or his 4-H tie! Demonstrating is teaching in the clearest and simplest method known. When members are enrolled in 4-H they have a desire to learn. In giving presentations, they share with others their acquired knowledge.

Boys and girls like to “tell others”. This is natural. They should be encouraged to start by giving a simple presentation and, as they develop, they can do more difficult presentations.

WHY GIVE A PRESENTATION?

Presentations help 4-H members:

- do and learn – learn and do.
- develop an ability to speak before a group.
- share acquired knowledge and skill.
- develop creativity.
- gain experience in teamwork.
- gain self-confidence, leadership and initiative.
- gain personal recognition.
- have a more interesting and active 4-H project.

Every club and project group should devote time to presentations.

Presentations by 4-H members should be a vital part of every 4-H club program. A desirable goal for each 4-H club is to have every member give at least one presentation during the year.

4-H MEMBERS - PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO A DEMONSTRATION OR PRESENTATION AT PRESENTATION DAY IN ORDER TO EARN YOUR BRONZE, SILVER, GOLD OR PLATINUM STAR. THIS EVENT WILL HELP YOU TO BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THIS GOAL

Enrollment forms & guide are at the end of the Diggings.
Amador Youth Poultry Show
On December 10, 2011, we will have our annual Amador County Youth Poultry Show. This year it will be at the Italian Picnic Grounds in Sutter Creek, CA. Attached is the Brochure and Entry Form.

For questions call 209-296-6245 or 209-296-2334.

Amador County 4-H Extravaganza
We will have a 4-H Extravaganza instead of a Christmas Party this year. The Extravaganza will consist of a pot luck dinner and Bingo! There will be more information on the other fun things in store in the January Diggings. The date will be February 11th at 6 pm for your calendars.

4-H Chocolate Fundraiser
Dear 4 H Group, Myself and World's Finest Chocolate has been working with 4 H groups across the country to help raise thousands of dollars. Here is what I am offering you as a representative for World's Finest Chocolate.

- 50% Profit
- 4 free boxes for every 100 boxes ordered. That is $200 free to you
- free personalization. We will put whatever you want on the front of the bars.
- free coupon on the back of a the bar.
- a 1% bonus for paying your bill within the 30 day period.
- We will configure the boxes with whatever amount or type of bars that you wish
- free shipping.
- $1.00 bars sell very easily

All information based on minimum order of 100 boxes. There are 50 bars per box in the $1.00 bars. contact me

Gene McCoy  1-800-306-6715  304-942-4778  imgenie-beanie@yahoo.com  /  wfchocolategene@gmail.com
**Composting: Yard waste and Worm Composting**

Saturday, November 12th, 9am-Noon, GSA Building, 12200-B Airport Road, Jackson, CA

There is no better way to improve your soil and the health of your garden that to add compost to the soil. This class will teach you about the various methods of making compost from yard waste and clippings then how and when to apply it to your garden. If you start applying compost to your garden you will find you really have a green thumb after all.

The class will also teach you about using worms to compost household fruit and vegetable waste. The resulting worm compost is amazing material.

Class is free and open to the public.

**4-H Record Books**

The 4-H program has a long history of record keeping. The focus reflects the importance of this life skill in our daily lives. In 4-H, young people have tracked their activities, events, profits and losses, skill development and learning experiences, and much more using the iconic 4-H Record Book. In addition to record keeping, the 4-H Record Book gives members an opportunity to reflect on their year, measure their achievements and growth, and set goals, and develop plans to meet those goals.

**Why have 4-H record books?**

4-H Record Books serve a variety of purposes in the California 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H Record Books give members an opportunity to reflect on their yearly work. They document their skill development and their learning experiences in a written report. 4-H members measure their achievements and growth in their total years in 4-H.

4-H Record Books encourage members to set goals, pursue strategies to meet those goals, and to shift gears in the face of challenges and obstacles. Completion of the Personal Development Report awards 4-H members for participation in 4-H activities, which provides an incentive for participation, learning, and achievement.

Completing a 4-H Record Book is a process where 4-H members record project and club work. Records management (RM) is a competency skill to identify, create, classify, archive, and preserve records. The 4-H Record Book teaches 4-H members these skills through a standard format.

4-H Record Books are not required for membership or for participation in 4-H activities such as club events and activities, or for attending 4-H camps or conferences. A 4-H Record Books may be required to receive participation awards (such as star ranking, medals or pins based on 4-H Record Book achievements).

**Record Book Competitions:** Provides an incentive to members to record their project work and personal achievement in their 4-H Record Book. Members receive feedback and encouragement on their 4-H project skill development, leadership and citizenship development, and record-keeping skills. Members are recognized for outstanding 4-H work.

**Where and how are 4-H record books reviewed and judged?**

4-H Record Book Competitions

Club Review

4-H Record Books are first reviewed at the local level by 4-H Community Club/Unit Leaders and Project Leaders. Club level judging is based on the Danish system where 4-H Record Books are judged against a standard. Seals are awarded based on the member’s 4-H project work, personal growth and the book’s organization. Through their personal achievements and 4-H participation, members may earn Star Rank recognition.
The State 4-H Fashion Revue committee announces categories and service projects for 2012! Entry categories returning from 2011 will be Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased (with $100 limit), and Wearable Art-Embellished. The Recycled category will not be offered at State Fashion Revue for 2012; counties may choose to include it at local events only. The $15 Challenge was so popular in 2011, it will become the $19.99 Challenge for 2012. It has the same rules (shoes and sales tax don’t count, receipts required) but the limit is increased to $19.99 to allow more creativity. We are adding a second challenge, called the Bag Up Fashion Challenge. Sew a tote bag from Simplicity #7161, view A only, and model it with a garment or garments that coordinate with the tote bag. SFR will be coordinating two service projects. The Quilts for Wounded Warriors is returning because the American Legion needs more quilts. Statewide, 4-H created sixty quilts in 2011 and we look forward to even more in 2012. Our second service activity is the Million Pillowcase Project, for handmade or decorated pillowcases. If you, your project, or your county would like more information about SFR, these categories and service projects, or would like to join our committee, please visit our website at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/.

The State Fashion Revue Committee announces the addition of a new challenge for the 2012 SFR - Bag Up Fashion Challenge. Sew a tote bag from Simplicity pattern #7161, View A only, and model it with an outfit that coordinates with the tote bag. You will not be judged on the outfit, but how the tote bag is presented and the overall appearance of your outfit. Be creative! Show off your personality in your design. This cute, easy to make tote bag will become a wonderful accessory to your wardrobe or make a great gift to give after the Fashion Revue contest. NOTE: This Simplicity pattern will be discontinued as of February 2012. Please plan to purchase your pattern early. If you are unable to find a pattern, please contact Mary from the SFR committee at maryengebreth@comcast.net and we will see that your county office receives a pattern to be shared in your county. If you, your project, or your county would like more information about SFR, additional categories or service projects that will be eligible at SFR, or would like to assist our committee, please visit our website at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/.

Ranchers Outlet New Hours

Ranchers Outlet will be open:

Monday & Tuesday 3:30-6:00

Wednesday through Friday 9:00-6:00

Saturday 9:00-5:00

They also offer a 5% discount of all show feeds! See flyer in the diggings.
The UC would like all of our clubs to make the effort and apply for the 1000 Service Learning Project by any one of the 3 listed dates. Many of our clubs do something already and can just implement the new requirements to meet the guidelines. This is a great way to raise money for your club.

California 4-H Centennial

2013 marks the centennial for 4-H in California, an important milestone for an organization that is deeply connected to communities throughout the state. Core to the 4-H experience is service learning, which takes the form of youth-designed, youth-led projects where participants learn leadership by leading, collaboration through collaborating, and the importance of civic engagement by actively seeking opportunities to make a difference in their communities. The Revolution of Responsibility Centennial Campaign will celebrate the power of California 4-H youth taking action through an ambitious statewide program that will fund 1,000 service learning projects at $1,000 each through the end of 2013. It will also provide an opportunity to re-connect with an estimated one million past 4-H participants living in California, engaging them as volunteers, donors, and advocates.

National 4-H Revolution of Responsibility Website

The Revolution of Responsibility
4H $1000 FOR 1000 Service Learning Project Information

The University of California 4-H Youth Development Program is dedicated to fostering an environment where youth and adults work together as equal partners to gain new skills and create positive community change. 4-H groups can apply for up to $1,000 to identify, plan, and carry out a service-learning project in their community. Projects will be focused on the three key content areas that form the core of all 4-H programs, Science, Healthy Living, and Citizenship. An open application process has review dates of October 15, 2011; January 15, 2012; and April 15, 2012. To apply, go to: Revolution of Responsibility - UC 4-H Youth Development Program, http://ucanr.org/join/

Revolution of Responsibility 1000 for 1000 - Flyer

Revolution of Responsibility 1000 for 1000 - Directions and Instructions

Revolution of Responsibility 1000 for 1000 - Standards of Quality Service Learning Projects

Revolution of Responsibility Budget Sample and Template

Revolution of Responsibility Evaluation Use this tool to evaluate your project to make sure it has all the elements of a service-learning project. Decide which of the statements is true for each characteristic and put the corresponding number in the “points scored” column. Total your points with a goal of reaching between 26 and 32 points.

50 Ways to Include Science, Engineering, and Technology in 4-H Service Learning Projects
50 Ways to Include Healthy Living in 4-H Service Learning Projects
Amador County Fair Board Meeting

Thursday, November 10th  Regular Board Meeting - 6 pm - Admin Office Board Rm.

Thursday, December 8th  Regular Board Meeting - 6 pm - Admin Office Board Rm.

December 20, 2011- January 3, 2012  FAIRGROUNDS CLOSED

Fair needs a new Fair Theme this year. The deadline is November 9th. You can email, call or drop by with your ideas. Email to: havefun@amadorcountyfair.com

Amador County Junior Livestock Advisory Committee Meeting

JLAC will meet on: January 26th, March 22nd, May 24th, June 28th with a year end wrap up BBQ/Swim Party on August 11th.

Meetings are held in the Fairgrounds Board Room at 6 PM

Calendar of Events

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Welcome to the New 2011-2012 4-H Year. 
Now is the time to think about the 4-H International Exchange Program!

This is an outbound year when 4-H members have the opportunity to travel. This year is also the beginning of a new International Exchange 4-H Project for members interested in learning more about the 4-H International program. It is never too early to think about being a part of the cultural exchange and preparing for either future travel in the ‘even’ years or hosting a youth delegate during the ‘odd’ years (exception – travel to Australia available every year). Part of the project goals will be to help 4-H members plan for fundraising for future exchange travel costs. Below is an overview of this year’s outbound opportunities. To find more information for the 4-H International program please go to the state 4-H web site at: 
http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/International/.

If you are interested in joining the International Exchange 4-H Project please email Lorraine Larsen-Hallock at l.larsen-hallock@sbcglobal.net
[meetings: 4th Sunday of each month, 2-4pm, at Lorraine’s home in Latrobe / Shingle Springs]
Dear 4-H Youth Delegates:

You are cordially invited to attend the 20th annual C.A.L. Conference at Walker Creek Ranch on January 27, 28, and 29, 2012.

C.A.L. is a sectional 4-H event and members from all North Central Section counties are encouraged to attend. Participants share their knowledge, exchange ideas and information, and have the chance to develop and enhance their leadership skills. Each attendee is expected to participate fully.

Registration is accepted on a first come, first served basis. Each county is allotted 15 youth delegate spaces. The Conference fee is $150 which includes room and board on Friday and Saturday, all three meals on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday; the cost is $160 if you would like to purchase a conference T-shirt. You must complete the following forms and turn them in to your county office to reserve your spot at the conference by **November 30, 2011:**

1. Registration form
2. Medical Treatment form (you also should carry a completed form when traveling on the trip)
3. NCS 4-H Code of Conduct
4. Check for $150 made payable to your County Council (or $160 to receive a conference T-shirt)

Many leadership opportunities exist both before and during the Conference. If you are interested in assuming a leadership position before the Conference you may enjoy being your county contact. The responsibilities associated with this position include conducting a county orientation prior to CAL Conference. Suggested orientation topics will be sent to you if you check the space on your registration form. You also will be the main contact from the Conference to your county if your county delegates have any questions or if the CAL staff needs to contact your county. Please indicate your interest on your registration form.

Another leadership opportunity available is serving as a cabin leader. We ask that all cabin leaders have attended C.A.L. Conference at least one previous C.A.L. Conference and be in the 8th grade or above. As a cabin leader you will be responsible for ensuring everyone in your cabin gets to know each other, is aware of each day’s events and are on time to all activities. If you are interested in a cabin leader role please indicate it on your registration form. There will be a training held for this position on January 7, 2012 in Fairfield. You can contact: Vivian Skinner at rabbitsrule@earthlink.com and Madison Gibson at mtgibson33@yahoo.com.

We also ask that you consider being a workshop presenter for the C.A.L. Education Program. Each session will be offered 5 times for 50 minutes. A training workshop for presenters is being offered on Saturday January 7, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Fairfield. Contact co-workshop coordinator Carolyn Elder at lqecon@pacbell.net.

We hope that you are excited about the Conference and that you consider accepting a leadership role. Thanks in advance for being a part of this innovative Conference. We know that you will benefit and have much to share upon returning to your own county and club.

If you have any questions about the registration form or the Conference, please don’t hesitate to contact the co-chairs or the registrar.

Sincerely, CAL Co-Chairs

Kelsey Arbuckle kelseyannearbuckle@yahoo.com
Maggie Colgan mr.colgan@yahoo.com
Sarah Lloyd lloyd.sarahe@gmail.com

County Contact Liaison: Colleen Bohannan colleenboh@gmail.com
Youth Registrar: Kayce Thomas loveknso@yahoo.com
Adult Registrar: Lance Elder lqecon@pacbell.net (707)422-7473
RANCHERS OUTLET
NEW HOURS
MONDAY-TUESDAY 3:30-6
WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY 9AM-6PM
SATURDAY 9AM-5PM
CLOSED SUNDAY
WE ARE MORE THAN A FEED STORE

35 PLUS YEARS EXPERIENCE IN RAISING
ANIMALS FOR AMADOR COUNTY FAIR. WE
ARE HERE TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR
PROJECT. FROM FEEDING TO SELECTION
TO PENS; LEADERS, PARENTS MEMBERS
ALL QUESTIONS WELCOME NEED AN
ANIMAL? WE CAN HELP

WE HAVE SEVERAL NEW FEED COMPANYS

FARMERS SHOWTIME
ASSOCIATED SHOWMAKER
SHOW RITE
NUTRENA SHOWMASTER
RINGMASTER

4H, FFA, GRANGE
5% DISCOUNT
ON ALL SHOW FEEDS

6980 HWY 16
3 MILES WEST OF PLYMOUTH

209-245-6631
AWARDS:
Best & Reserve of Show
Champion & Reserve Large Fowl
Champion & Reserve Bantam
Champion & Reserve Waterfowl
Best of Class & Reserve of Class

Ribbons will be awarded for:
Best of Breed and Reserve of Breed
Best and Reserve of Variety
1st through 4th place in class
And awards will be presented to 1st through 5th place in Showmanship

Guidelines:
This show is governed by the latest rules of the American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection. Filling out an entry form acknowledges acceptance to these rules.

All exhibitors and their birds will be entered at their own risk. Jackson Gold Wheels 4-H, its members and leaders, will not be held responsible for accident or injury to birds or exhibitors.

No substitutions on the day of the show. Please call if you need assistance filling out your entry form. No phone changes will be made after Dec. 1st.
Please check coop cards for accuracy before the show begins, notify the show secretary or superintendents of any discrepancies. If you must move a bird, please let the secretary know.

Awards may be collected at the conclusion of the show. Please no early coop-outs, unless prior arrangements have been made.

Please respect the facilities & Thanks for coming!!

AMADOR COUNTY YOUTH POULTRY SHOW 2011

Hosted by: Jackson Gold Wheels 4-H Club
Sponsored by:
MP Associates, Inc. &
Amador County 4-H Council

**NEW LOCATION***NEW LOCATION**
December 10, 2011
ITALIAN BENEVOLENT SOCIETY – ITALIAN PICNIC GROUNDS
SUTTER HILL – SUTTER CREEK, CA
2011 Amador County Youth Poultry Show

Saturday, December 10, 2011

PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW LOCATION –

ITALIAN BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
ITALIAN PICNIC GROUNDS
581 HWY 49, SUTTER CREEK, CA

Judges: Eric Kutch, Confirmation
Amanda Clark, Confirmation
Samantha Downey, Showmanship

Show Committee:
Angela Creach & Lisa Swingle – Show Superintendants
Janice Sherman – Show Secretary

A special thanks to Bruce and Janice Sherman,
Jackson Gold Wheels 4-H, and to our Judges and Sponsors from our 2010 show. We would also like to thank PPBA for use of the poultry cages.

❖ Thank you to Michael Mitchell for donating fitting boxes and pyramid cages for last year’s Showmanship winners.
❖ Also, a thank you goes out to Chris Tamayo for donating last year’s Cornish awards and for sponsoring to sanction our show this year. Chris has also donated cash awards for those who win Ch and Reserve Bantam, Lg Cornish, and Best and Reserve Seabright. Thanks again for your support!

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE AWARDS AND RAFFLE PRIZES HAND CRAFTED BY CLARA SCHOLL of Pine Grove.

A snack bar will be open throughout the day.

Show Details

Entries must be postmarked by NOV. 28

Check-in and Coop-in between 7:30am and 8:45am
Showmanship will begin at 9:00am
Judging will begin at 9:30am

COOP-OUT at the conclusion of the award ceremony.

PLEASE NO EARLY COOP-OUT
(Arrangements can be made for those from out-of-town. Please see Show Secretary.)

❖ Sales area: For purebred show birds and breeding quality birds only. Please no unhealthy birds or chicks.
❖ The Amador Youth Poultry Show is open to all 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent youth under the age of 19.

Please be considerate of others:
Check your birds for parasites or any signs of illness before bringing them to the show. Any birds displaying signs of illness will be excused from the facility.
2011 AMADOR COUNTY YOUTH POULTRY SHOW

Name__________________________________________________________
First                              Last

Address________________________________________________________
Street/PO Box

City              State              Zip

Phone: (_____)__________________________________________________
Area Code Home       Cell       (optional)

E-Mail: ________________________________________________________

Please provide leg band # in the appropriate box indicating the sex of the bird

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Use attached page for additional entries if needed

#________________Single Coops @ $3.00= $___________

#________________ Double Coops @$ 6.00= $___________

#_______________ Sale Cages @ $5.00 = $___________

#_______________ Trio Cages @ $ 7.00 = $ ___________

Exhibitor fee (for all who enter birds in confirmation) $____4.00___

Showmanship $3.00 or $5.00 (see below) $___________

$3 w/birds in show - $5 if entering Showmanship only

Total amount enclosed $___________

Make checks payable to: Amador County 4-H Council

♦ DECEMBER 10, 2011 • COOP-IN @ 7:30 A.M. • JUDGING @ 9:30 A.M. • SHOWMANSHIP @ 9:00 A.M. ♦
**Double coops are available for birds with long tail feathers or for birds that need more room that a standard show cage. Please feel free to call if you need assistance completing your entry form.**

Mail entries to: Janice Sherman, P.O. Box 506, Pine Grove, CA 95665
Questions: 209-296-6245 or 209-296-2334

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY NOV 18, 2011

PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW LOCATION:

THE 2011 AMADOR YOUTH POULTRY SHOW WILL BE HELD AT
THE ITALIAN PICNIC GROUNDS LOCATED IN SUTTER CREEK, CALIFORNIA.

To get to the picnic grounds from Sacramento, take State 16 to State 49 and travel south to Sutter Creek; head up the hill toward Jackson - the Italian Benevolent Society archway marking the entrance to the picnic grounds will be on your right.
From Stockton, take State 88 to State 49 and go north about 1 mile; the archway will be on your left.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!
Amador County Presentation Day Guide

A Presentation Day entry form has been included in this issue of the Diggings. You can call 223-6484 to enter or fill out the entry form in this newsletter and send it to the 4-H Office by January 19, 2012.

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Presentation Day will be held at 975 Broadway Jackson, CA 95642 on Saturday, January 28th, starting at 8:30 am and finishing by noon.

A PRESENTATION IS A FORM OF TEACHING USING VISUAL AND VERBAL METHODS OF COMMUNICATION.

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TYPE OF PRESENTATIONS: VERBAL & VISUAL

VERBAL: SAYING THE PRESENTATION

*Demonstration/illustrated talk:* A planned Presentation and Illustrated talk that teaches by the “show how method” some skill or knowledge. Primary through intermediate members should prepare a 3 to 10 minute presentation. Advanced members should provide a 5 to 10 minute presentation. At the end of each presentation the judges will ask questions. Use posters or other visuals to more effectively teach or illustrate concepts or practices. An Illustrated Talk teaches a skill using posters only. Team members should share presentation responsibilities.

* Public speaking:* An organized speech or lecture 3 to 5 minutes in length, in which the presenter explains, informs or argues a point. No visuals should be used.

* Share the Fun:* A planned and rehearsed talent act, skit or playlet, performed by one or more youth to entertain. Share the Fun presentations may include props and costumes. Timing should be appropriate to the act, 10 to 15 minutes.

VISUAL: DISPLAYING THE PRESENTATION

* Displays:* During the County or Regional Presentation Day events, 4-H members entering visual or non-live presentations will be asked to stand by their presentation for a period of time to answer questions and visit with evaluators. A display is an organized visual presentation of material that illustrates a process or a concept. Displays should be designed to convey their message in a limited amount of time (60 seconds or the time that a passerby will spend by the display.) 4-H members may select one of the following kinds of displays:

1. Card table size area (approximately 30”x30” flat space) - this display may include a poster. Table space will be provided.

2. Panel display (no larger than 4’x4’) - this is a vertical display. It must be self supporting.

* Slides:* Organized informational or instructional programs using slide equipment. Five to 10 minute slide presentation should be supplemented with a written script or a synchronized tape recording. Provide your own slide/tape equipment.

* Video:* A video providing instructions or information about your chosen topic. Five to 10 minutes in length and you must provide your own video equipment.

If you have questions about Presentations, please call Larry at the 4-H Office, 223-6484.
Amador County 4-H Presentation Day
975 Broadway
Jackson, CA  95642
Saturday, January 28, 2012
Registration begins at 8:30 am and Presentations start at 9:00 am

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE UCCE/4-H OFFICE
12200 B AIRPORT RD, JACKSON, CA 95642
OR CALL IN YOUR ENTRY TO 223-6484 BY JANUARY 19TH

Room Coordinators and Clerks must be 6th grade or older.
I will serve in the area checked below and arrive by 8:00 am

______ Room Coordinator   ______ Clerk

Name: ____________________________ I have demonstrated __________ years.
Address: ___________________________________Club _______________________
______________________________________ Phone ______________________

Demonstrator – Amador County 4-H Presentation Day (I will arrive by 8:30 am)

_____ Demonstration _____ Share the Fun _____ Public Speaking
_____ Display _____ Video _____ Other ________________

Name: ____________________________ Club _______________________
Address: __________________________________ School Grade ________________
__________________________________ Phone ______________________

Presentation (Please Check One): _____ Primary (K-3rd grade)

_____ Junior (4th – 6th grade)

_____ Intermediate (7th – 8th grade)

_____ Advanced (9th grade & up)

Years in 4-H: _____ Years attending 4-H Presentation Day _____

Must be held outside: _____ Team Demonstration: _____

If related to a 4-H Project, please state which: _________________________________

Title of Presentation: ___________________________________________________

Other Team Members: ___________________________________________________

Each year you are asked to develop a new demonstration or presentation for Presentation Day. You cannot receive credit toward a star for repeating a presentation you did last year. We are looking forward to seeing you on January 28, 2012
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will be held on December 6, 2011 at
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Airport Road at 7pm.

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