Hurry time is slipping away

2012/2013 Enrollment deadline is Monday, October 15th for returning members

Follow the steps below to enroll a youth.
Log onto 4-H Online.
1. Update profile (only create a new family profile if you are new to 4-H).
2. Review and acknowledge all forms on the Additional Information tab (including Waiver of Liability).
3. Print out the Medical Release AND Health History forms Give both forms to your COMMUNITY CLUB LEADERS and PROJECT LEADERS (one for each). Please do not bring to the 4-H Office

Pay here using a secure online credit card payment OR send a check (made payable to: UC REGENTS) to your local 4-H County Office OR take it to your first Community Club Meeting.

Required Reading: By enrolling in the 4-H Youth Development Program you are agreeing to the following Amador County

The 4-H YDP is to be open and accessible to participants, regardless of their individual ability to pay. All brochures, marketing, or other communications of the 4-H YDP should include a notice of such. Amador County is fortunate enough to have funds to cover these costs. Look for the waiver at the back of the Diggings.

We NEED you!

It is very important that all clubs are represented at our monthly Council meetings.
Changes to improve our program are made at these meetings and if your club is not represented your ideas and input are not heard.

If we do not have enough participation from clubs we might not have a quorum for votes.

We look forward to seeing your club representative and everyone not just leaders is welcome.

The meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Extension Office. 
Please call the 4-H office if you would like more information Jennifer Goerlitz 209-223-6484
4-H Horse Day @ UC Davis

UC Davis Department of Animal Science A Hands-On Approach to Equine Topics October 13, 2012

$30 per person Pre-Register http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/horsebarn/Events%20and%20Clinics/Horse%20Day%20Page.htm

The UC Davis Animal Science Department introduces a new approach to Horse Day to be held at our Animal Science Horse Barn facility. It will be a day filled with hands-on workshops dedicated to continuing education for the horse owner and enthusiast. Tired of sitting in lecture halls? Our new “Round Robin” venue will allow YOU, the attendee, to pick and choose those workshops that are of interest to YOU! A whole group presentation will occur both at lunch time and at the end of the day. Whether your interests lie with reproduction, conformation or nutrition, there is sure to be something to attract you to our NEW Horse Day venue! This day gives you the chance to interact with the animals, talk to the experts and be more involved with the material. Come and join us for a day filled with new and exciting interactive information.

ASSOCIATED FEED JR. LIVESTOCK CAMP

Online sign ups can be found here: http://www.showmakerfeed.com/camp/ Look in the back of the Diggings for registration papers. For further details contact: Jared Penfold: 209.604.7479

ASSOCIATED FEED’S JR. LIVESTOCK CAMP

STANISLAUS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS OCTOBER 13 & 14, 8AM–2PM

LUNCH IS AVAILABLE FOR $7.00

Camp Schedule

8:00–9:00 REGISTRATION
9:00–10:00 FEEDS & FEEDING / GENERAL NUTRITION
10:00–10:45 SELECTION & EVALUATION
10:45–11:30 FITTING
11:30–12:15 LUNCH
12:15–1:00 SHOWMANSHIP
1:00–2:00 ETHICS TRAINING
From the Foothills to the Seaside

My name is Kaya and I am a member of Ione Community 4-H. Recently I took my 4-H rabbits to a triple judged open rabbit show in Monterey, CA. I brought five of my seven rabbits. I took 3 Lilac rabbits, a Beveren, and my showmanship rabbit who is a Thrianta. I have to show in the open classes and not the youth because Lilacs and Beveren Rabbits are rare breeds and not many kids show them. Even though I show my rabbits against adults and other breeders all of my rabbits did very well at the show. I got six 1st, six 2nd, and two thirds. But there is one rabbit that really stood out, her name is Pansy. She is my Lilac senior doe. She won Best of Breed not once but twice that day, this was great for her because she had never been to a show before. I just brought her to see how she would do. She even got to compete for the Best of Show! Pansy is well on her way to becoming a Grand Champion!

Regards,
Melissa Mattis

Youth Board Trustee Opening

National 4-H Council is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of thirty-five members. National 4-H Council has the privilege of having four young people, between the ages of 16-23 years old, serve as Trustees. National 4-H Council is now taking applications for two youth seats which will become available this fall. Application forms and any additional nomination information are due by September 21, 2012. Final candidates will be submitted to Council's Board for consideration on November 9, 2012 for election to a three year term.

Eligibility Criteria
Successful applicants will possess the following attributes:
- Minimum of 5 years of past involvement in 4-H.
- Be between the ages of 16-23 as of November 9, 2012.
- Be able to commit to a three year term as a Board of Trustee member.
- Be an experienced public speaker.
- Be willing to represent 4-H as a spokesperson for media opportunities (media training will be provided by National 4-H Council).
- Will have served previously in a state or national 4-H leadership/governance role.
- Proven youth adult partnership impact.

Learn about the current National 4-H Council Youth Trustees here.

If you have any questions please contact Carolyn Fernandez at cfernandez@fourhcouncil.edu or (301) 961-2983.
Amador County's First Farm Day is Here!

September 26th, 2012
9am - 1pm
Amador County Fairgrounds, Plymouth

Farm Day is a national effort to educate school aged youth about the importance of agriculture in their everyday lives.

Amador's Farm Day will be a one-day field trip this September and is open to all 3rd grade students in the County. Held at the Amador County Fairgrounds in Plymouth, the students will spend the day learning about farms, ranches, and how food gets to the table.

Students will also learn about the biodiversity of Amador's regions, from timber forests to crop lands.

Support is still needed to make this event free for teachers and students. For questions about Farm Day, or to add your support, please contact JoLynn Miller with the University of California at (209) 533-5686. jlmiller@ucdavis.edu

4-H National Youth Science Day: Eco-Bot Challenge

Where: El Dorado Hills Public Library 7455 Silva Valley Parkway, El Dorado Hills, CA
When: October 6, 2012 from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

The 2012 National Science Experiment, the 4-H Eco-Bot Challenge, explores how robots can be used to preserve and protect the environment, while offering a glimpse into the future of science, technology, engineering and math. Participants will build their own robots, program their robot to clean up a simulated environmental problem and measure effectiveness by recording data.

See the Eco-Bots Challenge Flyer for more details.

Visit us at: 4-H Organization National Youth Science Day.

Take a peek at 2011 the experiment: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vfVK-Rl2D4U.
Amador County Fair

Come support our fair and get involved by attending the monthly fair board meetings at the fair board conference room on Sept 13th & Oct 11th @ 6pm.

Make sure you check out their event calendar

http://amadorcountyfair.com/p/About/157

Amador County Junior Livestock Advisory Committee Meeting

The next Jr. Livestock Advisory Committee meeting is on September 25, 2012 at 6:00 PM. **Note: The meeting is on a Tuesday this month!**

Location: Amador County Fair Main Office

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Amador County Council 4-H Officers
New Officers

President: Rielle Santinelli
Vice President: Janet White
Secretary: Deanna Stiltz
Treasurer: Valerie Anderson
4-H Program Coordinator: Jennifer Goerlitz

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Next County Council Meeting:
will be held on October 2, 2012 at the GSA small conference room on Airport Road at 7pm.

UCCE Office Hours
Monday - Tuesday 10:00 - 3:00 pm

Next Diggings: October 2012

Diggings Editor: Valerie 4hdiggings@gmail.com

Articles are due the 5th of the month.

Jennifer Goerlitz 4-H Program Coordinator
Jr. Livestock Camp

OCTOBER 13 & 14, 2012
STANISLAUS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Dairy, Cattle, Oct. 13
Lambs & Beef

Swine & Meat Goats, Oct. 14

Ethics training follows species presentation each day.

Prizes! Free T-shirts!

Admission is free. Pre-register now at Showmaker Feed.com [or fill out & return the attached form by Oct. 1]

Registration starts @ 8am
Lunch is available for $7.00

Contact Jared Penfold for details: 209.604.7479
ASSOCIATED FEED’S JR. LIVESTOCK CAMP
OCTOBER 13 & 14, 8 AM–2 PM @ STANISLAUS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

NAME ___________________________________________

EMAIL ___________________________________________

PHONE __________________________________________

ADDRESS _________________________________________

CITY _____________________________________________ ZIP ___________

AGE _______________________ # OF ADULTS ____________

SPECIES OF ANIMAL _______________________________

ADULT SHIRT SIZE (FOR KIDS ATTENDING) □ S □ M □ L □ XL

PURCHASING LUNCH □ NO □ # PULLED PORK ___ □ # HOT DOGS ___

MAIL COMPLETED FORM BY OCT. 1 TO:
ASSOCIATED FEED JR. LIVESTOCK CAMP
ATTENTION: KIM MORRIS
PO BOX 2367, TURLOCK, CA 95381

CAMP SCHEDULE
8:00–9:00 REGISTRATION
9:00–10:00 FEEDS & FEEDING / GENERAL NUTRITION
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[ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE AT SHOWMAKERFEED.COM/CAMP]
Provisions will be made by the 4-H club/unit or county council to cover program fees for eligible youth who are unable to pay them. The parent/guardian of an eligible youth for which a program fee waiver is requested must complete and sign this form.

A. Name of Youth (Print): ____________________________________________
   (First)                  (Last)

B. Club Name: ______________________________________________________

C. Program Year: 20___ - 20___

D. ☐ I am requesting a waiver of the program fee in full.

E. To determine eligibility for a scholarship, please indicate if:
   ☐ Monthly household cash income is at or below 185% of the Federal Poverty guidelines. If your child is eligible for/enrolled in free or reduced price school breakfast or lunch you meet this criteria. (Reference: http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/governance/notices/iegs/iegs.htm)

   ☐ My 4-H youth is not eligible for/enrolled in free or reduced price school breakfast or lunch, but we are still in financial hardship and are requesting a scholarship to cover program fees.

UC reserves the right to verify the above information by further reviewing the household financial status with the parent/guardian.

Name of Parent/Guardian of Youth (Print)

________________________________________________________
Signature of Parent/Guardian of Youth Date

RETURN TO:
4-H Office
12200B Airport Rd
Jackson, CA 95642

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