Round Up – Chili Cook-Off a Smashing Success

A Big thank you to ALL who attended the 2013 4-H Round Up & Chili Cook Off! The day was so much fun. Thank you to Darla Edwards & Kelly Bridges for organizing the barns. Thank you to all resource leaders and project leaders for motivating members to learn and be fair ready! Parents thank you for all your help and support of your young person’s enthusiasm for 4-H!

Big Thank you to our sponsors and supporters; Jerry Bridges & family from Bridges BBQ, Robert & Tina at The Windfall, Spot On Signs, Dawn at Dynamic Designs & Tahoe Production House.

Many community members came out in support of 4-H Youth Development and bid in the cake auction, silent auction, craft fair and participated in chili tasting. Retired Supervisor Jack Sweeney gave our All Stars a surprise by presenting them with a $2,240 check to pay for their leadership conference this year in Davis! Mr. Sweeney then went on to auction off 28 amazing cakes in our annual dignitary cake auction. His generosity really brought out the generosity of the community because the cake auction brought in $1,000 for 4-H! Thank you to the Stanwood family, Jack Sweeney, Council Person Patty Borelli, 4-H All Stars and member “cake bakers.”

Chili Cook-Off winners, Youth Division
1. Mother lode 49ers
2. Latrobe Outlanders
3. Northside Nuggets

Chili Cook-off winners, Community Division
1. Powell’s Steamer Company & Pub
2. Supervisor District 1, Brian Veerkamp
3. Tom Anderson

People’s Choice went to “White Lightening” Chili!

Many thanks to all for the support! We look forward to seeing more youth at Round Up next year, more chili entries and bringing on some good 4-H fun for a great cause!
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 4-H 2013-14 PROGRAM YEAR

4-H projects are all led by dedicated volunteers. Projects meet one time per month between the months of September and May. We need project leaders to step up now and get trained and ready by September. Please contact Tracy at the 4-H office (530) 621-5507 if you have a project idea. Here are some projects 4-H needs volunteers to lead:

- Web Design
- Robotics
- Engineering
- Hiking/Outdoors
- Vet Science
- Water Science
- iThrive
- Chemistry
- Entomology
- Theater Arts
- Film Making
- Tree Nurseries
- Embryology
- Nutrition
- Conversational Spanish
- Astronomy

Let the Count Down Begin!
The 2013 El Dorado County Fair arrives, June 13th-16th

PLACERVILLE, CA (May 16, 2013) – We know you’ve been waiting... and it’s almost here! On June 13th the “Blue Jeans and Country Dreams” 2013 El Dorado County Fair begins! Come to the El Dorado County Fairgrounds from June 13th-16th and join the fun!

Ready to release your competitive side? There are countless contests at this year’s Fair. Have a car that makes grown men drool? Enter it into the Kneisel’s Collision Classic Car Show during any day of Fair. Keep that smart phone handy and capture a picture at Fair and enter it into the “I Like It” Photo Contest by uploading it to the El Dorado County Fair Facebook page. The picture with the most “Likes” wins! For anyone with an amazing voice, register for the El Dorado Idol competition by June 13th then compete in the preliminary competition on Saturday, June 15th at 2pm. Finalists will compete for the title on Sunday, June 16th at 6:30pm. Other favorites include the Clifton and Warren Haybucking Contest on Saturday, June 15th and the John M. Studebaker Wheel Barrow Races on Sunday, June 16th. If you’re bringing your dad to the Fair on Father’s Day, don’t forget to stop by the Budweiser Stage at 1pm on Sunday for the annual Father-Child Look-A-Like Contest!
Greetings 4-H Youth Member!

The California 4-H Youth Development Program is in its Centennial Year and it is an exciting time for the program! The time has come for us to tell the world why CA 4-H is important now and why it will be important for the next 100 years. This year, we would like to invite you to help shape California 4-H’s public value messages. We all know why 4-H is important for youth: These messages will help us tell out public stakeholders (funders, politicians, and community) why 4-H is so important for them too. We would like your help in this effort by inviting youth members to participate in our survey to help us develop these message. Use this link to learn about public value messages and a link to the survey: http://ucanr.edu/sites/4HPublicValues/.

In addition to participating in the survey, we would like to schedule a one- or two-day meeting at the Statewide office in Davis, CA in August (13th or 14th) to sort through and finalize the public value messages we use for our program. I’d like to take the opportunity to invite 3 or 4 youth representatives between ages 17 – 21) to participate in this important meeting. You would be participating in the meeting with a representative group of UC Cooperative Extension county directors, specialists, advisors, program representatives, statewide staff, and adult volunteers who are also invited.

If you are interested in participating, please let me know that you are available by sending me an email to lstharris@ucanr.edu. I would be happy to answer any questions you have. Also please feel free to forward this e-mail to other 4-H youth who you think might be interested in participating.
EL DORADO COUNTY 4-H DOG RESCUE PROJECT

THE ISSUE

It is no secret that our county Animal Care and Control is under-funded. Almost all animal welfare organizations are. Couple that, however, with the 10 of thousands lost, homeless, abused, abandoned, surrendered and neglected animals received each year, and the result is an under-funded and over-crowded crisis. Unfortunately, this has resulted in the deaths of thousands of loving animals each year.

HOW WILL 4-H HELP?

Our group hopes to rescue dogs who are in danger of euthanasia from high-kill shelters. By working with Animal Outreach of the Mother Lode, committed volunteers and 4-H families, we will provide these dogs with loving temporary care, training, socialization and then find them well-matched forever homes. We will also serve as a resource to our community and all pet owners by providing education and information on responsible pet ownership, including the importance of spay/neuter, positive behavior training, and good nutrition.

Project launching in 2013-14 4-H year. Families needed! Contact Ginger Schratz at (530) 672-1312 or ginger.schratz@gmail.com

Answers from page 4

1. Anyone ages 5-19 by December 31st of the program year
2. June
3. Green and white
4. Green represents life, springtime and youth White represents purity
5. Yes. Many include: knowledge, confidence, pride, and friendships along with material awards such as stripes, pins & ribbons
6. The clover (at first it was a three leaf clover then in 1908 the fourth leaf was added)
7. 1907
8. The right
9. “To make the best better”
10. “Learn by doing”
11. A youth aged 5-8
12. Yes- ALL!
13. Officially, in October
14. “I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking, my HEART to greater loyalty, my HANDS to larger service and my HEALTH to better living for my club, my community, my country and my world.”
Project Leaders

The California 4-H website has some great resources to help you plan and prepare your project: http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Volunteers/Project_Leader_Resources/

Did you know the California 4-H website has project sheets for MANY 4-H projects? http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Project_Sheets/

El Dorado County 4-H is looking to add new projects in 2013/14. If you have an idea for a project now is the time to let the office know. We are looking to grow our program by adding projects related to Healthy Living, Science, Engineering & Technology and Civic Engagement.

If you know someone who has 3 hours a month to lead a 4-H project and share their talent with young people, please take a moment to talk with them and have them contact Tracy at the 4-H office.

Enrollment Update for 2013/14

2013/14 4-H Enrollment will begin July 15!
Fees will be $40.00 per youth and $15.00 per adult volunteer

Volunteer Trainings will be held monthly in July, August & September 2013

Community Club Leader training will be held in July

New Family Orientation will take place at the end of September 2013
Join California 4-H at the California State Fair, July 12-28

To celebrate our centennial we are going big at the CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR! Check out the full list of activities at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/CountyFairs/

1) **July 21, 24-27: Gold Seal Presentations from State 4-H Field Day** (http://ucanr.edu/gold seal/)
4-H members receiving a gold seal at the State 4-H Presentation Day on May 25, 2013 at UC Davis are eligible to present, non-competitively, at the California State Fair. 4-H members will present 1-3 times during an hour-long block of time on July 21, 24, 25, 26, & 27.

2) **July 16, 20, 23: Present your Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Projects** (http://ucanr.edu/stem/)
4-H members and volunteers are invited for three types of exhibits.

   **A) July 16, 2013, 11am - 8pm: Eco-Bot**
   4-H will present Eco-Bot, the National 4-H Youth Science Experiment. 4-H volunteers and members will help children design and build a simple brush-robot to cleanup a spill (simulated using a cookie sheet and rice). Materials and instructions are provided. We just need 4-H volunteers and members to sign-up for 2-hour blocks during the day!

   **B) July 20 (10-8pm) & July 23 (11-8pm)**
   i) **Non-Competitive 4-H Presentations** – 4-H members are invited to present, non-competitively, at the California State Fair on July 20 and 23. 4-H members will present 1-3 times during an hour-long block of time on one day. Presentations must be related to 4-H science, engineering, or technology.
   ii) **Hands-on, Interactive, 4-H Science, Engineering and Technology Activities** – Groups of 4-H members, volunteers and staff are invited to engage the public in quick hands-on activities. The group will conduct activities with the public for at least an hour block of time on one day.

3) **July 23 & 24: 4-H Cooking Throwdown** (http://ucanr.edu/throwdown/)
4-H Cooking Throwdown - 4-H members are invited to participate in the 4-H Throwdown at the California State Fair. Teams will consist of 2 youth members and 1 teen leader. The minimum age is 12 years old, total of 3 members. Each round will have a secret ingredient. Each course must include the secret ingredient. Each team will have 10 minutes to prep and then 50 minutes to cook a three course meal. A judge will taste all courses prepared and the winners of each round will then compete at 4:00pm each day to determine the daily 4-H Throwdown Champion! Each day has a theme: July 23rd- International Cuisine; July 24th- BBQ Throwdown without the Grill. Facility: California Kitchen at the State Fair. Below are images of the California Kitchen where the Throwdowns will take place!

4) **Represent California 4-H by exhibiting at the Fair**
We are working on a 4-H Day-July 20th!
Share your memories of the State Fair http://www.bigfun.org/memories/!
2012-2013 El Dorado County Council 4-H Officers

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NEXT COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING:

TUESDAY
August 20, 2013
7:00 pm

Community Club Leader Meeting:
August 20, 2013
5:45 pm

UCCE OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Office is closed noon to 1:00pm

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