REGISTER NOW!
El Dorado County
Central Sierra 4-H Camp
at Echo Lake

Located near beautiful South Lake Tahoe

July 7-11th
Ages 9-17
Cost: $200

Make friends and memories that last a lifetime

Questions:
530-621-5503

http://ucanr.edu/

Back Country Horse Camp
Camp Director Announcement

We are pleased to announce Camp Director, Melinda Cross! Melinda is a member of the Dusty Dividers 4-H Club and has served as a junior and teen leader for horse projects as well as represented California State 4-H at Western National Round Up in Denver! Melinda is excited about El Dorado County offering our first ever backcountry camp and will be working to make camp an amazing experience!

Back Country Youth 4-H Horse Camp
July 25-30 at Stone Cellar

Youth will learn how to horse camp in the wilderness with minimal or no impact on the land using “Gentle Use and Leave No Trace” camping skills. Lessons will include basic horsemanship, highlining, knots, basics of packing on stock, and will spend one night packing further into the wilderness with pack stock. Enjoy trail riding, fishing, games, swimming, and exploring the Sierra around their base camp.

Mark your calendars now, and save the dates! Call Cathy at (916) 358-6179, or email: catforestandrews@gmail.com for further information. Enrollment is limited to 25 youth; horse leaders may also participate; openings currently for camp nurse/EMT and certified life guards!
Home Arts Day
April 12

Home Arts Day showcases every 4-H project except animals! Members enrolled in a home arts project show off their creative projects and are critiqued by judges. It will include a judging session in which members display their projects before judges and receive helpful comments. Table space will be provided for members to display their projects. Members cannot enter items that they have entered in the past.

When: Saturday, April 12, 2014
Where: Light of the Hills Church
3100 Rodeo Rd. Cameron Park, CA 95682
What: fashion revue, arts & crafts, rocketry, robotics, food preservation, photography, and favorite foods & table setting

General Information & Registration:
http://ucanr.edu/sites/EDC_4-H_Program/files/139608.pdf

Entry deadline is Friday, April 9th. You can scan and email forms to Julie Winter (email address below) or drop them off at the 4-H Office, 311 Fair Lane in Placerville.

Question(s): contact Julie at whwbmw@hotmail.com or the 4-H office at njstarr@ucanr.edu.

Passport to Discovering Home Arts!

Come fill your passport with stamps from your HAD adventures!
FOOD, ACTIVITIES, AND FUN FOR ALL
Coffee, Breakfast, Donuts, Snacks and Lunch will be available via the food concession

Visit projects for a demonstration or craft to learn more about each project and earn a stamp for your passport—including a photo! (Disc Golf, Woodworking, Fiber Arts, Sew a project, and more)

Judging contest – test your skills (and get record book credit) on the judging contest provided by the Leadership project.

Listen to some of our county presentations preparing to compete at Sectionals.

Watch the fabulous 4-H fashion review!
See the latest 4-H fashions and trendsetters!

SEE YOU ALL THERE!

Home Arts Day Agenda

8:00 - 9:00 AM - Registration
8:00 - 9:00 AM - Judges Training
9:00 - 9:30 AM - Opening Ceremony
9:30 - Noon - Judging, Activities, Presentations
Mark Your Calendar
May 10, 2014

Saturday will include:
- Barn activities for all animal species
- Skills practice
- Chili Cook-off, Silent & Cake Auction
- Proficiency exams
- Bridges BBQ Tri Tip (presale tickets– Buy NOW)
- Project demonstrations and much more

Chili Cook Off

Do you or someone you know make the best chili? 4-H Annual Chili Cook-off is a fundraiser for 4-H program.

Two Chili Categories Are:
1) 4-H Members (requires adult partnership)
2) Community i.e. businesses, non-profits, dad, mom, neighbor

Chili will be judged by Professional Judges and by Popular Vote. $50 prize each - overall winners for both categories. 1st, 2nd & 3rd recognition for winners for both Professional Judges and Popular Vote.

100 Years of Science & Service

This year at Round Up
We’ll be celebrating 100 Years of Science & Service! We’ll showcase all the programs of UCCE!

Round Up
Youth Variety Show
By Natalia Biale

Are you interested in presenting your talent at Round up (May 10th) this year? If so you may be interested that the Dusty Dividers 4-H club is hosting "The Round up variety show" do you play music? have a skit? magic act? or an interesting presentation, come out and share your talent! Registration forms can be found in the March, April, and May issues of the Hot line. Located at the amphitheater between the Marshall building and the chuck wagon. (see page 5 for registration form)

Livestock Updates for Round UP & Fair

1) Buy your Bridges BBQ lunch tickets at your NEXT club meeting. ($10 tri tip/ $5 hot dog) All proceeds will go toward livestock 4-H programs! Whole tri- tip available for pre-order. contact: Kelly at devineswine58@gmail.com
2) Dynamic Designs will have custom 4-H t-shirts available at Round Up for purchase and will be donating a percentage back to 4-H livestock programs.
3) All Proficiency tests for all species will be given at Round Up by Resource Leaders. Make up test date will be Wednesday of fair/ weigh in.
4) Turning in fair forms will require a 4-H project report showing attendance and learning. It does not need to be a final version. A rough draft copy is sufficient.
5) Fair forms online: http://eldoradocountyfair.org/entry.html
6) April 24th at 7 p.m. Fair Livestock meeting in the Marshall building of the fairgrounds. Recommended for ALL exhibitors and required for 1st year members.
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Let Them EAT Cake!
Round Up Silent Auction & Cake Auction 2014

It is that time again to start thinking about the Silent Auction and the Cake Auction at Round Up. These two activities at Round Up are the largest and most important fundraisers for the El Dorado County 4-H Program. The money raised on this day, May 10th goes directly to the County 4-H Council. They help to offset the cost of facility rentals, events, activities, and scholarships for camp, youth conferences and graduating seniors.

**Silent Auction - we need donations!**
We are asking members to secure donations (include a donation donor form and a donation description form) and turn them into the 4-H office, Monday-Friday 8am to 5pm on or before May 5th. These two forms can be found along with a donor introduction letter on our website see http://ucanr.edu/sites/EDC_4-H_Program/Round_Up_Chili_Cook-off/. We will also need a few adults and several youth volunteers to help make things move smoothly so please start thinking about volunteering during Round Up. There will be more information to come in the next newsletter and on our website.

**Cake Auction** – Calling all 4-Hers! We are asking each club and their members to make homemade dessert to be auctioned off. Cakes, cupcakes, cheesecakes, cookies, brownies, etc. big dessert or small dessert – all wanted. We are holding a contest for members with certificates & prizes awarded, so have fun and be creative with the dessert donation. There will be more information to come in the next newsletter and on our website (same website as above) soon.

Partnering with Master Food Preservers After Home Arts

- Kids under 18, learn to make jam & jelly; enter 2 jars in the fair that day!
- Bring the fruit you want to use (apple, grape, peach, or strawberry); everything else is provided. (Quantities given when registering.)

Pre-registration required. Sign up for a 30-minute class between 10am - 3pm; limit 10 kids per session. To register, call Tracy at 530-919-2757 or email her at tawickstrom@gmail.com.

**Event Date:** April 12, 2014
**Event Time:** 10am-3pm
**Event location:** El Dorado County Fairgrounds, Marshall Bldg.

This a FREE event. Pre-registration is required. Class size is limited to 35 so register early.

http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=12519

Help wanted
GIS/GPS Project Leader

El Dorado County received a grant from the state 4-H office for GIS/GPS. The youth completed an amazing project where they photographed downtown Placerville historic buildings and with handheld units took weigh points then put their data into an online map! The final product was amazing! This project was youth driven and our 4-H teen will be graduating out of the program this year. We need to keep the momentum!

Do you have skill (or know someone who does) with GPS or willingness to learn it? We have support from this grant and support from community experts.
The Round Up - Variety Show
Location: In the Amphitheater, between the chuck wagon and the Marshall building

Date: Saturday, May 10th

Name(s) of participant(s): __________________________________________________________

Age(s): ____________________________________________________________

Please circle the class of the oldest member:

- Primary (8 and under)
- Junior (9-10)
- Intermediate (11-13)
- Senior (14-18)

Phone: ___________________________   Email: __________________________

Title: _____________________________________________________________

Club(s): _________________________Time approx.:________________

Type: _____________________________________________________________

Description: ____________________________________________________________

Are you showing an animal at Round Up?  Yes_______       No________

Would you like to be judged?             Yes_______       No________

***All participants must be 4-H members for your group to be judged***

You can participate in up to 5 different acts. Please fill out a separate form for each act.

RULES: 1) Practice!!! 2) Show up on time 3) Must be appropriate for all ages

***We will have a microphone available. Feel free to bring any equipment needed. Please contact us if you need any set up time. Please show up early to check in and see where you are scheduled. We will change your time if needed. You do not need to be dressed up, but costumes are encouraged.***

Deadline: Please turn your entry in by May 1st, but we may accept late entries.

Drop off:  Email, fax, mail, or drop off your entry form at the 4-H office. 311 Fair Ln. Placerville

Awards:  People’s Choice, Club With Most Participants, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

Please contact us if you have any questions at: Phone: 530-622-2142
Email: vintagesocialclub@yahoo.com
Calling all 4-H members! Paper Clover at Tractor Supply Store in Placerville is a week long awareness & fundraiser for 4-H. Members can present, demonstrate and educate the public about 4-H Youth Development! Sign up for a couple hours during the week and earn record book credit in community service and presentations depending on what you do! Email or call the office to schedule a time for your club, project or individual member. tbcelio@ucanr.edu or 530 621-5507

On March 19th, we attended California AG Day at the State Capitol in downtown Sacramento. We met up with Tracy Celio and other 4-H members to help at the 4-H Robotics /iThrive booth. Lots of people came by and seemed interested in 4-H and about S.E.T. (Science, Engineering and Technology). Everyone at the booth helped our visitors make small Eco-bots (robots that are made to clean and they are usually made from brushes and motors). We had fun demonstrating the Lego Mindstorm NXTs and the fundamentals of iThrive SET (Science, Engineering, and Technology) and explaining about how 4-H benefits the youth in our community. AG Day was very crowded this year with various agricultural businesses and non-profit organizations who also set out to educate people about agricultural opportunities in their area. We were really glad that so many people were able to learn more about 4-H and may decide to volunteer next year.

If you’ve always complained about the uniform, now is your chance to have a voice in changing it! In response to 4-H members’ and volunteers’ input and desire to explore options for a new uniform, the State 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee is facilitating the process to adopt a new uniform. It is important to all that the new uniform maintains 4-H tradition but is an updated, comfortable, and easy uniform for today’s youth. The new uniform should make 4-Hers recognizable. The new uniform must continue to allow 4-Hers to exhibit their recognition pins and emblems. The uniform must meet the needs of certain projects. For instance, certain animal projects require boots, long pants, and/or long sleeves. Uniforms should also be affordable for all members. The policy on 4-H attire will remain the same and states that, “There is no uniform requirement in the 4-H YDP and a uniform cannot be required for participation in any 4-H YDP sponsored activity, event, meeting or occasion. 4-H YDP staff will inform other sponsoring organizations that the 4-H YDP does not require uniforms.” Proposals are due April 18th, 9pm.

Read the rules of this 4-H uniform contest here: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/181544.pdf

Submit your idea today! http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=12195

Learn more and register at http://ucanr.edu/fieldday
Share knowledge, interact with youth and adults, and engage people in new activities. The showcase will feature robotics, woodworking, rocketry, gis/gps, engines, computers, automotive, farm machinery, and more. Youth exhibiting are eligible for a "4-H engineering" pin. Sign-up to exhibit! tbcelio@ucanr.edu or 530 621-5507
Chuckwagon Project

Do you want to gain marketing skills? Learn how to organize and run a successful business from the ground up and earn money to attend 4-H camp or conferences? Then we have a project for you! It’s the 4-H Chuckwagon Project.

Project Leader: Melissa Montessanti email: melissamontesanti@comcast.net

To enroll log into your profile on www.4honline.com and select Group Determined - Entrepreneurship Project

Latrobe Outlanders at Cameron Park Walgreens on April 26th By: Shanley B.

LATROBE OUT LANDERS 4H CLUB is having a car wash Saturday April 26th from 10 am to 4 pm at Walgreens in Cameron Park. On the corner of Cameron Park Drive and Palmer Drive. Please come get your car washed and join us for a bake sale, petting zoo and bounce house. We look forward to seeing you!!!

Shingle Springers Blood Drive April 8th

4-H Farm Opportunities with American River Conservancy

The American River Conservancy (ARC) purchased the 272-acre Wakamatsu Colony Farm in 2010. Since then, they have been moving towards the creation of a working farm and educational resource for local schools, youth programs and the public. ARC envisions a unique partnership with the El Dorado County 4-H Program that may be able to accomplish our mutual goals of community service, youth education and preserving the County’s agricultural history.

Project ideas might include:

- Goats for targeted grazing/weed management, milk production and more, an alpaca or llama protector
- Poultry production (meat birds)
- Other livestock (sheep, cattle, swine)
- Mulberry orchard with silkworm raising
- Demonstration green tea crop
- Rice farming
- A history project (Japanese history, early CA agricultural history, CA Indians)
- Native plant and/or orchard tree nursery
- Sustainable/no-spray community garden for donation of fruits and veggies to the community (food bank, etc.)

Recruiting project leaders now for 2014/15 4-H year. Call the 4-H office 530-621-5503 with questions or ideas. We invite you to think outside the box in creating something truly amazing!
On May 8, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed into law the Smith-Lever Act, which created Cooperative Extension, the world’s first system connecting public higher education with local communities in the pursuit of service to the land and its people. In California, Cooperative Extension is administered by the University of California Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR), the host organization for the 4-H Youth Development Program!

http://beascientist.ucanr.edu

On May 8, 2014, UC Cooperative Extension celebrates its 100th birthday. In the spirit of cooperation, the UC ANR is asking you to join us for a one-day science project. Take a walk, visit a park or enjoy the beauty of a garden. Paint a picture of California’s food and water resources by marking your responses on our online GIS maps!

How many pollinators do you see outside in a 3-minute time period?
Bees, wasps, flies, butterflies, moths, beetles, birds and bats help plants reproduce. By marking our California map, we can get a better idea of where pollinators are across the state.

Where is food grown in your community?
Nearly every community in California contributes in some way to food production, from large farms to backyard gardens. By marking our California food map, we can get a better idea of where food is produced across the state.

How do you conserve water?
With each passing day, the availability of clean water is diminishing. Your data will help create a clearer picture of what water conservation practices are used across the state of California. Free educational activities are available for grades K-12 around water conservation, gardening and nutrition, and pollinators to support the questions outlined above. In addition, links to curricula, ANR research projects, and additional efforts around these topics are available on the website. http://beascientist.ucanr.edu.

Science and Service May 8th
By: Steven Worker

State Leadership Conference
August 14-17, 2014  U.C. Santa Cruz
“Raiders of the Lost Leadership”
The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience.

California Focus is June 13-17, 2014
California Focus is a unique citizenship educational experience that combines hands-on participation in workshops, debates and simulations with speakers, tours, fun activities and new friends from across California.

2014 State Fair 4-H Throwdown
July 22nd and 24th, three teams compete each round with a secret ingredient in each round! A panel of judges, yet to be named, will judge the 3 course creations! Registration opens in March! The daily schedule: Round One: 11am-1pm, Round Two: 1:30pm-3pm, Champion Round: 3:30pm-5pm Start prepping now for the State Fair 4-H Throwdown!

State 4-H Leaders Forum 2014
The WoW Factor: the way you see California 4-H in 2014!!
Experience California 4-H in 2014 in many ways, in both traditional events and in special programs. All of these activities will culminate in the 4-H Leaders' Forum, Nov. 7 - 9, 2014 at the Crowne Plaza in Sacramento. We are taking suggestions, applications for educational workshops. Please contact Sandy Cohen sandybear74@hotmail.com. Stay tuned for more updates!

California 4-H $1,000 for 1,000 Service Learning Projects
http://4h.ucanr.edu/Support/RofR/

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Pictures– Articles– Club & Project News

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Raise funds for 4-H while you shop
Enroll in Something Extra/extracredit:
Select El Dorado County 4-H Council as your organization of choice.
Once enrolled, follow these steps:
· Visit www.raleys.com/extracredit
· Click on the green “Get Started” button
· Select El Dorado County 4-H Council from the menu
· Designate the percentage of scrip to donate.
Let your friends, family & alumni know about this easy way to support youth!

April
April 8: Shingle Springers Blood Drive
April 12: Home Arts Day
April 15: County Council
April 23-May 4: Paper Clover at Tractor Supply Co.
April 24 Fair Parent/ leader meeting

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May 10: Round Up, Chili Cook Off & UCCE Celebration
May 15: Camper Registration Form Due - 4-H Office
May 20: County Council
May 31: State Field Day at UC Davis Campus

June
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Chuckwagon OPEN

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Deadline for next month submission is due by the 20th of each month

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