El Dorado County 4-H HOTLINE NEWSLETTER

July 2014

New Program Year
2014/15 Open Enrollment
Going on Now

Deadlines to be eligible for 2015 fair:
For returning members, Wednesday, October 15th
For new members, Monday, December 1st

Follow the steps below to enroll a youth and volunteer.
- Click on the 4-H Logo.
- Click on the “Enroll in 4-H Now” then click on “4-H Online”.
- Enroll into the 2014/2015 and update profile (only create a new family profile if you are new to 4-H)
- Return to the Enroll in 4-H Now screen and click on El Dorado Co for required reading and online payment. You can also pay by check made out to UC REGENTS and given to the 4-H office. By enrolling in the 4-H Youth Development Program you are agreeing to your county’s enrollment policies and guidelines.
- Print out the Treatment Authorization form AND Health History form. Give both forms to your COMMUNITY CLUB LEADER and each project leader. No need to bring them to the office.

If you have questions about the enrollment process itself, please check out our “Enrollment Help” page on the Central Sierra 4-H Website. For additional help, contact Nancy Starr our

Back Country
Youth 4-H Horse Camp
July 25th-30th 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.

Call Cathy (camp coordinator) at (916) 358-6179, or email: catforestandrews@gmail.com for further information.

There are still a few openings left but is limited to 25 youth; horse leaders may also participate; openings currently for life guards!

Parent Orientation Night scheduled for Wednesday, July 16th at 7pm in the conference room 4-H office.

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning citizenship, leadership and life skills
Volunteer Development Day Scheduled for September 6th, 2014

Calling ALL 4-H Volunteers Current and New!

Mark your calendar today. We’re hosting our 1st annual Fall Volunteer Retreat! Join us for this day long event and learn about working with youth of mixed ages, ages and stages of youth development, games and activities to strengthen your meetings and much more. Retreat is free and expect to come away READY for the 2014/15 project year with new tools, excitement and energy!

Now Recruiting for New Project

To make our clubs more successful next year, we need more projects. Would you consider becoming a project leader? A 4-H project meets a minimum of 6 hours, usually once a month between September and May. There is curriculum in the 4-H office for project leaders!

Project leaders don’t have to be members parents either. Maybe you have a friend or neighbor who has a skill, talk to them and have them talk with the 4-H desk!

Contact Tracy at the 4-H office if you would like more information: (530) 621-5507 or tbcelio@ucanr.edu

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New Management and Program Boards For 4-H County

In October 2013, 4-H County Council voted to adopt recommendations made by the Futures Task Force to restructure administrative management of our county 4-H program. This new administrative structure is a product of acknowledging and addressing needs as well as incorporating program and management functions we already have in place.

This new county structure for managing the 4-H program has recently been implemented in order to:

- Extend the benefits of 4-H to more youth.
- Increase program delivery excellence.
- Create new volunteer opportunities with specific focus. (Each committee chair position has a job description and term of appointment so you will know exactly what your job entails and when your commitment ends.)
- Provide an application and selection process with equal access for all.
- Empower youth adult partnerships invested where their greatest interest lies.
- Better utilize our resources.

There are many volunteer roles from which to choose—from youth leadership to fund development to marketing, camping to clubs.

Jobs descriptions and applications are available at:
http://ucanr.edu/sites/EDC_4-H_Program/Management_-_Program_Development_Boards/

Youth and adults who are interested in a position are encouraged to apply

Positions are opened until filled.

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4-H Management Board
(manages 4-H business):

The Management Board key functions are:

- **Visioning and planning** for growth and insuring high quality and consistency.
- **Fiscal accountability** - budgeting, financial oversight, stewardship of community investment.
- **Resource development** - people, partners, funds.

4-H Program Board
(Is the heart of what we do):

The Program Development Team key functions are:

- **Insure quality programs** so that youth will experience the same opportunities.
- **Offer a wide range of programs** to meet diverse needs of youth.
- **Strategize** on ways to make 4-H happen for more youth.
- **Focus on outcomes** for youth and adult volunteers within the 4-H Program.

How will your club be affected? The management of clubs will not change at all. What you will see is stronger support for your club. The new boards will provide; new member education and recruitment, volunteer recruitment and training, teen leadership opportunities, support for youth and adult volunteers, scholarship’s, service learning opportunities, 4-H in school classrooms, building of an alumni network and much, much more.

In August 2014 board members will present a concrete plan and direction for where we want to see 4-H in 5-10 years and beyond. We will vote on re-writing bylaws. New bylaw templates will be on line for review by July 19th.

Please take a look and come be
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
- 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.

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**Event Committee Sign Ups**

We need your help to make 2014/2015 a successful year for the youth! There are some easy ways to get involved. Sign up for a committee:

- Event Planning
- Outreach
- Recognition
- Fundraising
- Record Books

How can you help?

**Record Books Due to County 4-H Office August 26th**

Call the 4-H office at 530-621-5503

Record books are a essential part of 4-H! They are your time capsule for the future as well as a record of accomplishments, expenses and activities related to 4-H. Contact your 4-H Community Club Leader to find out when your record book is due for club judging.

Club record books winners come to the 4-H office on Tuesday, August 26th (check back on time). Every club that turns in record books must also send judges. Many hands make light work, and its fun to see the 4-Hers accomplishments!
We have now launched a new ORB Help Website at www.4horb.weebly.com/. This site will be updated regularly with “How to” directions and video to help members in using the California 4-H Online Record Book.

To ask a question, report a problem or make a suggestion about the 4-H Online Record Book, please fill out the ORB Request Form which you can find at: http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=11078.

Remember that a 4-H member needs to be active in the enrollment system to be able to access their record book.

Recent, I have been working on re-organizing the 4-H lending library. Located in the 4-H office, this library has resources available to both 4-H project leaders and members alike. This library contains all kinds of resources, anything from llamas to healthier living. I have been helping to organize and catalog the books so that everything can run even more smoothly. So far, I have had lots of fun helping to complete this task. If anyone is interested in checking out any materials, come by the 4H office and ask about their check out policy. Also, if any of you have any books from the lending library, and you are done with them, it would be great if you could return them for others to enjoy.

Donate to El Dorado Co. 4-H While You Shop

Sign Up for E-Script
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
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Let your friends, family & alumni know about this easy way to support youth!
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**California State Leaders Forum**—“101 Way’s 4-H Thrives” we aim to rekindle our capacity for inspiration and innovation; for the inspiration of what we do in 4-H, for relishing the inspiration of the people we know in 4-H, for the inspiration of strengthening our vision for the future of 4-H. the State Leaders Forum in Sacramento on Nov. 14 – 16, 2013. We will be updating the web page http://ucanr.edu/slf2014 for information, soon. The SLF Workshop Request for Proposal Form will be ready soon for you to fill out and submit. Proposals are due by June 30. Contact Sandy Cohen (530) 210-6993 / Sandybear74@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

**4-H State Leadership Conference**

“Raiders of the Lost Leadership”
August 14-17, 2014 U.C. Santa Cruz  Ages 13-19
The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. Don’t miss out on one of the most fun and educational events CA 4-H has to offer! Registration will open in June. More info: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLC/

**#4hwaterwed**
Pledge to drink more water! Each Wednesday take a picture of yourself drinking water and post it to Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Be sure to #4hwaterwed to show your commitment to healthy living. For more information on the importance of hydration and ideas for your club visit: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/HealthyLiving/Water_For_Better_Living/

**REVOLUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY SERVICE LEARNING MINI-GRANTS**
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.
Youth Submissions
WANTED
Please send in your 4-H news stories by the 20th of each month!
Email them to Tracy at tbcelio@ucanr.edu
Pictures– Articles– Club & Project News

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July
July 1: Online enrollment begins - 2014/2015 Program Year
July 2: 6-7:30pm Camp Chaperone Orientation
July 7-11: Summer Camp - Echo Lake
July 16: Horse Camp - Stone Cellar Parent Orientation
July 25-30: Backcountry Horse Camp

August
August 14-17: State Leadership Conference - Santa Cruz
August 25: Treasury end of year review
August 26: County Record Book judging

September
September 6: Volunteer Development Day
September 19: All Star Applications due to 4-H office

October 4: Premium Record Book judging
October date TBA County Recognition Night

DO SMALL THINGS WITH GREAT LOVE
- MOTHER TERESA

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Articles about 4-H or topics of general interest to families are welcome.
Deadline for next month submission is due by the 20th of each month

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