

FORECAST



State Web Site: http://ca4h.org Stanislaus County 4-H Web Site: http://stanislaus4h.ucdavis.edu May—June 2011

JUNE CLUB COUNCIL

Monday, June 6, 2011 6:00 p.m. Dinner, 7:00 p.m. Business Meeting Ag. Center Harvest Hall—D-E side Meeting begins with a potluck dinner. Please bring a main dish <u>plus</u> a salad, side, <u>or</u> dessert to share. Council will provide plates, utensils and beverages. Review 11-12 Budget before coming.

FARMYARD EXPERIENCE NEWS

Set-up Farmyard for all members of the committee and anyone else interested in helping. Start time is 8 am on the following dates:

- * June 25th & 26th—Clean up & Prepare display areas. (If you have a display you must come on June 25th) Start at 8 am.
- * July 9th & 10th—All displays go up
- * July 14th—All plants and all animals into place in the Farmyard by 12 noon. Fair Board walk-through at 5 p.m. All must be done!
- * July 15th—Fair opens at 12 noon
- * July 25th (Monday)—All displays dismantled and animals out by 9:00 a.m.

There are still a few openings in the schedule. New this year: We are now closing at 10 pm.

If you have questions please call Karlene Bert at 602-8415.

Look for the current schedule on page 4 or online at the County 4-H web page:

http://stanislaus4h.ucdavis.edu

FOLLOW THE RULES TO A GREAT COUNTY FAIR

Every 4-H County Fair exhibitor and leader knows the 4-H motto, "To Make the Best Better." Most leaders and members are careful to learn and live by County Fair rules. This year, let's make that all participants go for 100% compliance with Fair rules.

This is the best way to ensure that the Fair is fair and fun for everyone. The rules have to do with safety, ethics, equal treatment, best practices, smooth operations, etc.

Perhaps the most important rule overall is to let the exhibitors do their own work. The Fair is a test of their acquired abilities and knowledge. Let it be an honest test.

Especially important to the livestock department are these practices:

- ➤ Prepare entries only for the animals exhibitors plan to show. No padding of numbers in order to gain storage and resting space.
- No BBQs, canopies, tables, etc. This is a safety and an appearance issue. No alcohol is allowed in areas with 4-H members.
- No Christmas lights or radios are allowed in the barns. Fans must be equipped with a three-wire ground.
- ➤ Do not use the FFA mechanical science exhibits as tables or benches.

The Fair management is committed to responding to the crowded conditions in the barns and the need for storage and rest areas. Let's make sure we give them the support and accurate information they need to do their best, too.

A key to ethical behavior is to do the right thing even when no one is looking. If we all do this, everyone will notice a positive difference.

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HI 4-H MILK BAR NEWS

Help needed for the following:

- > Parent supervisors
- **→** Hi 4-H Member Day Chairs
- > Members to work daily shifts

County Fair is quickly approaching and our Milk Bar fund-raiser committee has been busy planning for this year.

All 4-H members who will be in high school or above next year are encouraged to work one or more shifts in the Milk Bar. By working these shifts you will be eligible for scholarships to Snow Camp and other Hi 4-H activities. For those needing Community Service for school, you can get hours by working in the Milk Bar.

Each day at the Fair we will have a day chair who will make arrangements to fill their shifts. We still have many spots available for co-day chairs. If you will be able to serve as a day chair, please call Irene Ulm at 402-9871. Day Chairs and Adult Day Chairs will meet July 6th at 6:00 pm.



VISIT THE STANISLAUS COUNTY FAIR HORSE SHOW

The annual 4-H horse show runs from Monday, June 20th through Wednesday, June 22nd. Check the Fair Handbook for schedules.

This is a wonderful opportunity for non-horse participants to witness the fun and achievements of one of our largest and most energetic projects. Entry and parking is FREE and the atmosphere is (mostly) relaxed.

Both for safety reasons and because the learning curve goes up forever, the horse project requirements are demanding. If you see our members in action, you'll understand and appreciate the horse component of Master Showmanship all the more. Come join the fun!



Hi 4-H is continuing the gift certificate coupon promotion for their *famous* milkshakes. If you would like to purchase milkshake coupons, send your name, address and \$16 for a book of 4 or \$40 for a book of 11 (one free).

Send checks by July 8th payable to: Stanislaus County Hi 4-H Club, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite A, Modesto, CA 95358

THRIVE TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR LEADERSHIP PROJECT LEADERS

Beginning in September 2011 Junior and Teen Leaders will use the Thrive curriculum at their Leadership Project meetings. The project leaders should make plans to attend the workshop to be held on August 22, 6 pm at the 4-H Office.

Clubs that do not currently have a
Leadership project for their Junior and
Teen Leaders need to start one next year
and have members in Junior and Teen
Leader roles attend monthly meetings.
The Thrive curriculum being introduced
at the workshop will provide the
activities for your meetings for the year.

Thrive is rolling out Statewide and it is important that each club has the Leadership Project in place for the new year.

For more information about Thrive, see the State 4-H website: http:// www.ca4h.org/About/Thrive **FORECAST** Page 3

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LIVESTOCK LEADERS MEETING AT THE FAIR

There is no Livestock Project Leaders Meeting in June. The next meeting will be at the Fair, on Friday, July 22nd at 3 PM in the Thurman arena. This is our annual data collecting and debriefing session following the livestock shows. Input is needed from exhibitors and leaders. Plan to be there. Please note that this day and time is subject to change!

OUTSTANDING EXHIBITOR

Outstanding Exhibitor recognition is an incentive offered to 4-H livestock exhibitors. It challenges you, the exhibitor, to learn as much about your specie as you can, and to put that knowledge to work in preparing and managing a quality exhibit at the Fair.

The scoring is based on judging of your animals at the Fair, your showmanship score, maintenance of a clean, attractive exhibit, other evidence of leadership and citizenship (e.g. helping others and good sportsmanship) at the Fair, your 4-H record (project records and a 4-H story), and an interview.

So, members, you are encouraged to sign up for this opportunity, even if you doubt you can win. The discipline of trying your best, and the experience of being interviewed are real growth promoters, and even if you don't win the first time, you will be much closer to achieving that goal for having made the effort.

Copies of the Outstanding Exhibitor application are now available at the 4-H office or online on our "Forms" page.

Reminder: Size Limit for Educational ☐ Displays at the Fair: 3' x 4' (size of the tri-fold ☐ project display boards). Your stall decorations, etc. are not part of your **Educational Display and are not included in | the judging.** The Fair would like to remind you that excess decorations hamper air movement in the barns and are asking that we be conservative in what is put up in the stalls.

LEADER CARDS AVAILABLE

If you will need a leader card for the State Fair or any other reason, please call the 4-H office and request one. We no longer routinely mail leader cards.

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MEAT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Meat Goat Workshop

Tuesday, July 12th, 7 pm to be held in the Stanislaus County Ag Center parking lot. Come practice your showmanship skills at our Annual Meat Goat Showmanship clinic!! Hughson FFA will again provide a scale, so you can additionally check the weight of your goat. Get tips on finishing your market goat, making him look his best in the show ring, and learn the latest, greatest knowledge questions. FMI: Sue Hobby 209-632-4492.

STATE FAIR INFORMATION

Please use the State Fair website for applications, entry due dates, show dates, and complete information: bigfun.org

As a requirement for entry, all Market Steer, Market Lamb, Market Hog, Broiler Chicken Pens, Meat Turkey, Market Goat, Market Eggs, Market Rabbit, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat and Pygmy Goat exhibitors are required to participate in a California State Fair Certified Quality Assurance and Ethics Awareness Training prior to July 2, 2011. (Good for the 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 & 2015 California State Fairs). A training will be held at MJC Ag Dept on June 1, 6 pm. Contact John Mendes: 209-575-6205. Other locations are available and are listed: http://www.bigfun.org/pdfs/competitions/ **OADates.pdf**

Summer Camp Info

NEW ARRIVAL TIME AT CAMP is between 2:00 and 3:30 p.m. on the first day of camp. Please park only in designated areas. Check in at the stage/campfire area. You will have to furnish your own transportation or make arrangements with other campers from your club.

NEW DEPARTURE TIME AT CAMP is 10:30 am! No lunch will be served. Campers are not to leave camp until they have been cleared to do so by the Camp Director. Notify camp immediately if you have arranged for someone other than yourselves to pick up your child. Parents are a welcome audience at the closing ceremony.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM SUMMER CAMP NURSE

All prescription medication should be taken to camp in its **original marked container**. Placing only the amount needed at camp in a smaller bottle or baggie seems like a good idea, but the nurse can dispense medications <u>only</u> from original containers.

If your child has started taking **any new medication** since the camp medical treatment form was submitted be sure to notify the camp nurse of the changes.

If your child has suffered respiratory problems and has used an inhaler be sure to send it to camp. Often if the child has not used it in several months, it is not taken to camp. At the higher elevation and often dustier conditions, the inhaler is needed and parents have to make a special trip back to camp with the inhaler!!

CAMP CLUB NAME BADGES...

Appoint a name badge committee to design a good club name tag.

Guidelines:

- The name badges must match within the club.
- Each camper must make his/her own name badge.
- The name badge needs to incorporate the camp theme.
- They may be made from anything durable.
- They are to be worn throughout campespecially at meals!
- Be sure that your name is easy to read.



Reminders....Our campers have problems with headaches at camp due to the elevation, dry air, dust allergies and lack of caffeine. We are asking for your help with the following:

- Wean your camper off cola, coffee drinks and foods containing caffeine for the 2 weeks prior to camp.
- Start having them drink extra water and continue to drink plenty of water at camp.

Please send 3-4 tubes of chapstick with your campers! Dry lips are common and tubes seem to be easily lost.

Water bottles have been purchased for the campers. Campers will be responsible for keeping track of their bottle.

There will be a charge for damage done by campers to facilities and fire extinguishers.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to the 4-H Scholarship Winners for 2011:

Council Scholarships:

Anthony Alamo, Sacred Heart 4-H
Jessica Bonner, Waterford 4-H
Joya Lemos, Waterford 4-H
Katrina Schmidt, Newman 4-H
Nicolaus Coleman, Sacred Heart 4-H
Ashly Shaw, Waterford 4-H
Lainey Smith, Valley Home 4-H

Hi 4-H Scholarships:

Matt Avila, Shiloh 4-H

We encourage high school seniors to plan ahead and apply for these scholarships next March.

4-H RECORD BOOKS AND RECORD EVALUATIONS

JUDGING SCHEDULE

August 1st Records Books due in 4-H Office for County Judging.

August 1st Names due of the leaders

from each club to judge books (one judge for every 4

books submitted).

August 18th Record books judged,

6:00 to 9:30 pm, 4-H office.

Record book forms and forms A, B, and C for submitting Record Books for County competition are available online or at the 4-H Office. Your club leader also has a copy.

Jo Ann Ratto 4-H Program Representative

> Mary Currie 4-H Secretary

Please read carefully the following information regarding 4-H member records.

1. County record book judging will be held Thursday, August 18, 2011. Members 4th grade to age 13 as of January 1st enter as juniors; 14 years of age and up as of January 1st are classified as seniors. One county winner and up to four alternates may be selected in each project category. **DUE AUGUST 1st.**

Very important: Each club submitting books for county judging must also identify one leader for every 4 books submitted to serve as judges. This is not just a duty thing; it is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about judging and to see excellent examples of 4-H records.

- 2. Primary 4-H records are not judged. However, as a way of encouraging primary 4-H members to begin to keep good records, Hi 4-H examines and recognizes all primary members whose records are submitted to the county along with other club record books.
- 3. Senior members who wish to compete beyond the county level for State awards can submit their record books. Up to twenty \$500 awards will be given. State competition books are due in the County 4-H office September 30th. More information, the check sheet, and cover page are available at http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/RecordBook

	New times 2011 FARMYARD EXPERIENCE							– Stanislans County Fair New dates				
	Thurs. 7/14	Fri. 7/15	Sat. 7/16	Sun. 7/17	<u>Mon</u> 7/18	Tues. 7/19	Wed. 7/20	Thurs 7/21	Fri. 7/22	Sat. 7/23	Sun. 7/24	
DAY CHAIR	KARLENE	Beth Bailey	Mary Sylvester	Kathy Weststeyn	Brandi LoForti	Gail Alvine	Gabby Christner	Debbie Costa Andrea Dooling	Patty Traini	Kay Jacobs Lisa Stiles	Karlene Hanf	
SHIFT	HELPERS NEEDED				No school tours closed	Handicap	School tour	School tour	School tour			
9 am — Noon	8-10 mbrs. 2 adults	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	Chatom	Empire	Mt View	V ernalis	CLOSED	CLOSED	
Noon- 3:00 pm	8-10 mbrs. 2 adults	CLOSED	Orange Blossom	Newman	CLOSED	Orange Blossom	Wood Colony	Mt View	Kiernan Klovers	Chatom	Kiernan Klovers	
3-6 pm		CLOSED	Patterson	Newman	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	Denair	Shiloh	
5:00 — 8:00 pm	8-10 mbrs. 2 adults	5-8 pm Turlock Hoof & Horns	6-8pm Patterson	6-8 Sacred Heart	5-8 Shooting Stars	5-8 Westport	Wood Colony	5-8 Hughson	5-8 Sierra	6-8 Westport	6-8	
8 – 10 pm	8-10 mbrs. 2 adults	Turlock Hoof & Horns	Waterford	Sacred Heart	Waterford	V alley Home		Hughson	Ceres	River Oaks	V emalis	
10:00- 11:00pm	4-5 Adults	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	River Oaks	V ernalis	

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2011 CALIFORNIA 4-H STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

If you are going to SLC plan to attend a meeting on 6:30 pm on June 9th in the Ag Center Cafeteria to talk about fundraising and planning.



- July 28—31, 2011
- UC Davis
- High School 4-H
 Members (14-19 yrs)

The conference will emphasize youth leadership skills in a 4-day conference themed "Oh the Places You'll Go."

The 2011 conference will include leadership training, networking, motivational speakers, and many other leadership opportunities. Sessions focus on Citizenship, Healthy Living, Science, Engineering and Technology, and 4-H Thrive.

Complete information at: <u>ca4h.org/Programs/</u>
<u>Conferences/SLC</u> Price: \$420/person. Some funding available from Leaders Council. Enrollment open now! **Register Online then send \$200 deposit,** code of conduct, and health forms to the 4-H Office by June 17th. Paper copies available at the 4-H Office.



SAVE THE DATE!!

LEADERSHIP TRAINING DAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2011 AG CENTER

Leadership training day will include officer training, new leader orientation, and information for those considering running for office.

New officers for the 2011-12 club year should plan to attend. Training for all officers is scheduled.

In addition to the specifics of each office, everyone will get a primer in Parliamentary Procedure and the running of effective meetings.

Club leaders, make sure that all your officers are planning to attend.

2011 STATE LEADERS FORUM



California State 4-H Leaders' Forum happens Veterans' Day weekend in November.

The 2011 Forum will be November 11-13 at beautiful Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, hosted by the North Central Section Leaders Council. Start making your plans NOW. Talk with the 4-H leaders, staff and parents in your club and all come to experience "The Magic of 4-H Transformation!" at the 2011

California State 4-H Leaders' Forum. The North Central Section Forum Committee has been working hard to create a forum that will be a fun, stimulating and educational event. Come enjoy a weekend at the beautiful California State Park of Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, CA.

Registration information and forms are at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLF. Hotel registration and separate conference registration are due by September 1st.

<u>Workshops</u>: Hurry! You can still submit a workshop proposal, but they're due by June 15th. The Leaders Forum is most importantly about sharing ideas among leaders. Many of you leaders have much to share. Workshop proposal forms can be obtained at the same web site. Contact is Mary Engebreth: engebrethm1@yahoo.com, or contact at 707-996-2981 if you have questions. You will be notified if your proposal has been accepted by August 1, 2011.

We will be looking forward to sending a large delegation and the more who attend, the more our county benefits. This conference is HUGE fun. Partial scholarships are available to attend. Save the dates!



REGIONAL PRESENTATION DAY

On April 16, 2011, Stanislaus County was represented at Regional Presentation Day by the following 4-H members. The event was held at Denair High School, in Stanislaus County. Congratulations to those members that participated! G=Gold B=Blue

DEMONSTRATION

Amanda Agnelli, Ceres, B Sandra Zermeno, Empire, B Jessica Hilbert, Sh. Stars, G

Jonathan Wong, Sh. Stars, G Makayla Lawrence, Ceres, B

Mary Lambert, Hughson, G Samuel Fletcher, Valley Home, G

Caleb Kimball, Sh. Stars, G Jennifer Schaefle, V. Home, G

Emily Campidonica, Westport, G

Dominique Germann, Westport, G

Annelisa Cole, Sh. Stars, G.

Elizabeth Cole, Sh. Stars, B

Madeline Heidman, Sac. Heart, G Ellis Capp, Sh. Stars, G

Michelle Borges, Hughson, B Caleb Kimball, Sh. Stars, G Gabriella Germann, Westport, G Grace Merriam, Hughson, G

Michael Bopp, Empire, G

Madeline Freitas, O. Blossom, G

Michelle Borges, Hughson, G

Emily Hill, Ceres, G Mark Borges, Hughson, G

> **ILLUSTRATED TALK** Graham McAllister, Sac. Heart, G

Jeremy Wong, Sh. Stars, G

INTERPRETIVE READING Daniel Milligan, Westport, G

Joshua Kimball, Sh. Stars, G. Patrick Germann, Westport, G Madeline Heidman, Sac. Heart, G Zachary Senn, Sh. Stars, G

Aidan McAllister, Sac. Heart, G Kaylene Baskin, Turlock H&H, G Nicole Milligan, Westport, G

PREPARED SPEECH

Heidi Schaefle, V. Home, G. Mark Borges, Hughson, G

Ashley Parreira, O. Blossom, B Joshua Hewes, Westport, B

Cori Barney, Orange Blossom, G

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

Jackson Calbreath, Hughson, B Reva Merriam, Hughson, B

AUDIO-VISUAL

Celina Day, Shooting Stars, G Jessica Hilbert, Shooting Stars, G

FASHION REVUE

The 2012 Fashion Revue was held on May 7, 2011 at Valley Home School. County Winners can move on to the State Fashion Revue This event was the Emerald Star Project of Emily Pinheiro and Denise Thompson M = Medalist B = Blue

Purchased Category

Natalie Thompson, Sierra, Junior, M, Co Winner Kendra Wycoff, Orange Blossom, Junior, B, Alt. Denise Thompson, Sierra, Intermediate, M. Alternate Emily Pinheiro, Sierra, Intermediate, M. Co Winner Melissa Thompson, Sierra, Senior, M, Co Winner Tiffany Thompson, Sierra, Senior, M, Alternate

Recycled

Emma Morales, Orange Blossom, Junior, M, Co Win Jonna Pagaduan, River Oaks, Senior, M, Co Win. Marian Pagaduan. River Oaks, Senior, M, Alternate

Wearable Art

Madeline Heidman, Sacred Heart, Junior, M, Co Win Jocelyn Burke, Orange Blossom, Junior, B, Alternate Emma Morales, Orange Blossom, Junior, B Kendra Wyckoff, Orange Blossom, Junior, M Elissa Ramos, Sacred Heart, Junior, M. Lauryn Leventini, Wood Colony, Junior, B Jessica Limbaugh, Wood Colony, Junior, B Nikki Truhett, Valley Home, Intermediate, M, Co Win Ilianna Ramos, Sacred Heart, Intermediate, B, Alt. Melissa Thompson, Sierra, Senior, M, Co Winner

\$15 Challenge

Natalie Thompson, Sierra, Junior, M, Co Winner Kendra Wyckoff, Orange Blossom, Junior, B Cori Barney, Orange Blossom, Intermediate, M, County Winner

Ashley Barreto, Valley Home, Intermediate, M, Alt. Gabriella Germann, Westport, Intermediate, M Hailee Sciarini, Westport, Intermediate, M Nicole Milligan, Westport, Senior, M. County Winner Celina Day, Shooting Stars, Senior, B, Alternate Daniel Milligan, Westport, Senior, B

Traditional Category

Natalie Thompson, Sierra, Junior, M, County Winner Sophie Jones, Orange Blossom, Junior, M, Alternate Kendra Wyckoff, Orange Blossom, Junior, B Madeline Heidman, Sacred Heart, Junior, M Elissa Ramos, Sacred Heart, Junior, B Casey Calvin, Sierra, Junior, B Cori Barney, Orange Blossom, Intermediate, M, County Winner

Ashley Barreto, Valley Home, Intermediate, M, Alt. Ilianna Ramos, Sacred Heart, Intermediate, B Emily Pinheiro, Sierra, Intermediate, M Nikki Truhett, Valley Home, Intermediate, M Katie Northcutt, Sierra, Senior, M, County Winner Tiffany Thompson, Sierra, Senior, M, Alternate Marissa Campbell, Valley Home, Senior, B Celina Day, Shooting Stars, Senior, M

Accessory Category

Natalie Thompson, Sierra, Junior, M, County Winner Nicole Mendonca, Turlock H&H, Junior, M, Alternate Emily Hill, Ceres, Junior, B Emma Morales, Orange Blossom, Junior, M Kendra Wyckoff, Orange Blossom, Junior, M Madeline Heidman, Sacred Heart, Junior, M Elissa Ramos, Sacred Heart, Junior, M Jillian Jimenez, Turlock H&H Junior, B Ilianna Ramos, Sacred Heart, Intermediate, M. County Winner Shasta Gunn, Turlock H&H, Intermediate, B Jessica Limbaugh, Wood Colony, Junior B Ashley Barreto, Valley Home, Intermediate, B Nikki Truhett, Valley Home, Intermediate, B Melissa Thompson, Sierra, Senior, M, Co Winner Tiffany Thompson, Sierra, Senior, M, Alternate Nineveh Saroukhanioff, Turlock H&H, Junior, B

Marissa Campbell, Valley Home, Senior, B

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JUNE 2011

- 2 Horse Project Leaders Mtg, 7 pm
- 6 Council Pot Luck, 6 pm
 - Hi 4-H, 7 pm
- 9 State Leadership Delegate Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 11-15 & 15-19 Summer Camp
- 20-22 4-H County Fair Horse Show
- 22-28 Hi 4-H Exchange--Outbound to Texas
- 17-21 CA Focus Citizenship Conference, Sacramento

JULY 2011

- 1-4 County Furlough and Fourth of July Holiday, Office Closed
- 6 Milk Bar Day Chair & Parent Meeting, 6 pm
- 6 Meat Goat Showmanship Clinic, 7 pm, Ag Center
- __ Camp Debriefing Meeting (date pending)
- 14 State Fair Starts, Cal Expo, Sacramento
- 15 FORECAST Articles Due
- 15 Club Completion Roster Due

Treasurer Books Due Secretary Books Due

Stanislaus County Fair starts

- 22 Fair Recap Meeting, Thurman Arena, 3 pm
- 28-31 State Leadership Conference, UC Davis

AUGUST 2011

- Record Books for County Judging Due
- List of Judges for County Record Book Judging Due

 County Record Book Judging, 6-9:30 pm
- 22 Thrive Training for Leadership Leaders, 6 pm

- 29 Council Exec Board Meeting, 6:00 pm H-I
- 31 Fall Club Start-up Meeting 7:00 pm H-I

Please note: Completion rosters, Treasurer books, and Secretary books all must be received at the 4-H office by July 15th or you club will be ineligible for 4-H awards at the Fair. (Clean Barn, Thurman, etc)

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