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## 4-H Family Newsletter

Nevada County, California

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### Nevada County 4H News and Events

#### 4-H Enrollment Fees Increase to \$28 per 4-H Member and \$10 per Volunteer Adult

Dear 4-H Families, and Volunteers,

The economic climate has created extreme economic challenges in continuing to provide strong volunteer and programmatic support for 4-H locally. For the past several years, in the face of declining funding from state and federal resources, UC Cooperative Extension and 4-H at the state level have tried to absorb budget shortfalls in order to keep from raising fees to our participants. Unfortunately we have reached the point where we are no longer able to absorb all costs and have realized that fee increases to support and grow our local programming are required. These program fees will be used to provide partial funding for direct local program costs including 4-H staff who support our local volunteers. We encourage local staff and volunteer leadership to work with us to strategize together around the development of a local funding plan to keep 4-H strong and growing. The California 4-H Foundation is a valuable resource with whom to partner in developing a local funding plan. The level of success of such coordinated local fundraising efforts is hoped to mitigate the need for future increases.

Connie Schneider, PhD, RD  
Director  
Youth, Families, and Communities Statewide Program  
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The Nevada County 4-H Executive Board approved only doing the statewide fee increase at their June 2012 meeting. The 4-H member fee is \$28. There will be no extra money collected this year for additional curriculum purchases. All of the volunteer leader fee will go to the state. It is recognized that the fee increase will be a hardship for some families. We wanted to notify you of the fee increase prior to 4-H enrollment starting. Thank you for your continued support for the Nevada County 4-H program.

Roger Ingram  
County Director and Farm Advisor  
Placer and Nevada Counties

**ONLINE ENROLLMENT OPEN!** The online system is open for enrollment. If you need assistance with the online system, please visit our Nevada County website for step-by-step guides for new or returning families, or contact your volunteer enrollment coordinator. **Please Note:** All returning members must enroll by **November 1st** to be eligible to show an animal at the fair in 2013. New members must enroll by **January 1st** to be eligible. **Youth Enrollment Fee - \$28 Adult Volunteer Enrollment Fee - \$10**

### **DRAFT HORSE CLASSIC & HARVEST FAIR SEPTEMBER 20-23, 2012**

Nevada County Fairgrounds. This is one of our payments in kind for the use of the Fairground facilities. 4-H has provided ushers for the Draft Horse Classic. Duties and responsibilities include walking guests to their seats, restrooms, exits, refreshments, being all-around friendly and always keeping that smile on your face. To participate in this fun event you need to be at least 9 years of age.

Please call to reserve a spot to work on any day, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and/or Sunday.

**For more information, call April Reese 432-7628**

### **4-H OPEN HOUSE**

**Thursday, September 13, 2012**

**5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

#### **Grass Valley Veteran's Memorial Building**

Join us for an evening of fun as we open our 4-H doors to the community and encourage new enrollment. Club and project members will be on hand to provide demonstrations, refreshments, activities, and general information. Invite your friends to see what 4-H has to offer!

**4-H SUMMER CAMP LOST AND FOUND:** There are numerous articles of clothing that were left behind at camp. Please drop by the office to take a look through the Lost and Found if you are missing something.

### **CHICAGO PARK 4-H CLUB'S ANNUAL FREE E-WASTE COLLECTION**

Chicago Park 4-H Club is holding its ANNUAL FREE E-WASTE COLLECTION on AUGUST 25TH at the Chicago Park School on Mt. Olive Road. See flyer on page 3. Call Sue Ramey at 273-2004.

### **"We Help Youth Put the Pieces Together" W.H.Y. CONFERENCE**

**September 21-23, 2012**

*Diamond Arrow, Nevada City, CA*

This annual event is for 4-H members, 6th grade and older, and volunteer adult leaders to learn about leadership, citizenship, and life skills. Each of the four California 4-H sections hosts an annual teen conference. These conferences engage 4-H members in learning opportunities and workshops, increasing their leadership, citizenship, and public speaking abilities. They also include fun recreational and social activities that allow 4-H members to network with those outside their region.

Registration fee is \$95 if registered by August 20th, \$105 after that date.

Registration can be found here:

<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/Sectional/>

For more information contact Cindy McIntosh at mcintosh@inreach.com or Tammy McFarland 530-559-3740

**Have Fun Teaching Kids About Gardening and Nutrition!** Through the University of California Cooperative Extension's Eating Healthy from Farm to Fork CYFAR 4-H Project (California Youth & Families at Risk), you will be teaching fun, hands-on gardening and nutrition activities. The lessons are all pre-planned, so you just have to attend the trainings, and you will be ready to teach 5 to 10 year olds. You will need to make a commitment to work once a week for 12 weeks, Sept. 20th through Dec. 20th. **For more information and application, please contact Aleta Barrett at (530)263-5380 or adbarrett@ucdavis.edu**

**CHICAGO PARK SCHOOL and  
CHICAGO PARK 4-H CLUB**

**FREE E-WASTE COLLECTION  
FUNDRAISER**



Saturday, **August 25th**

**9am-1pm**

**Chicago Park School Parking Lot**

**Sue Ramey 273-2004**



California Electronic Asset Recovery

**Sponsored by**

**Chicago Park School and 4-H Club** have partnered with CEAR to recycle all of the collected e-waste. CEAR is a CA State approved Collector & Recycler of Electronic waste. We completely shred all hard drives at our securely monitored facility. Providing fundraiser and community outreach is part of what makes CEAR a unique E-waste Recycler. For any questions or details regarding holding fundraisers please contact us at (916)-388-1777 or [recycling@cearinc.com](mailto:recycling@cearinc.com) CEAR is a proud signer of the Basel Action Network's pledge of true e-stewards responsible E-Waste Recycling practices. For more information, check out the BAN at [www.e-stewards.org](http://www.e-stewards.org)



e-Stewards

**We will accept:** monitors, televisions, desktop and notebook PCs, VCRs, stereo equipment, speakers, keyboards, mice, PDAs, digital cameras, zip drives, telephones, cell phones, printers, copiers, laser and multifunction scanners and fax machines, small household appliances such as toasters, mixers & blenders, vacuum cleaners with the dust bag removed

**We cannot accept:** Large Household Appliances (i.e. refrigerators, washers, dryers, etc.) Furniture, Hazardous Household Waste including batteries, car batteries, paint, pesticides, used oil, cleaning supplies, fluorescent light bulbs, fires etc.

**Questions about this event? Contact, event coordinator Sue Ramey 273-2004**

## Grass Valley Rabbit Project

By Riley Sether

On June 6, 2012, the Grass Valley Rabbit Project Club met. This was our last meeting for the 4-H year. We had a picnic BBQ and a water balloon fight at Penn Valley Western Gateway Park. We would like to thank Jane & Erin Dettner for all of their help and support this year.



## What Happened This Year at Fair For Me

By Bree Barnickol

This year at fair I won grand champion market goat, and with my Boer goat does, I got a 2nd place with my 8 month old and my other 8 month old got 5th. With my mature Boer does I got 1st and 2nd. It was a very fun day. It's fun to talk to the public about goats and the fair. Everyone I know did very well at fair with the goats. I kept all my pens clean and gave food and water to my goats every day at the fair to show the public I know goats.

## Sport Shooting

By Connor Stafford

This year I am doing sport shooting. I am excited to do the postal shoot this year. The postal shoot is an event in which you compete in trap, rifle or pistol. It is a fun thing to do. I like shooting so I am excited and can't wait to do the postal shoot.

## **This is My Fifth Year in 4-H**

By Autumn T.

This is my fifth year in 4-H and I do pigs, sports-shooting, archery and leadership. Fair is probably the best part of 4-H because you have so much fun and you learn responsibility. Also, working with your friends is fun.

## **The Beef Project**

By Sabrina Fisher and Justin Volheim

One of the projects 4-H offers to kids is the Beef project. The Beef project teaches members about responsibility and encourages a fun environment. Similar to owning a pet, having an animal promotes responsibility. The animal must be fed daily, washed, and have its pen cleaned. It's a very rewarding experience for its members. It is also educational and teaches about spending and saving money. The Beef project is an overall great project for 4-H members.

## **4-H is a Good Program**

By Megan Volheim

4-H is a good program because it teaches kids responsibility and how to deal with things in the world. Beef, for example, teaches kids about agriculture so they can teach people what really happens to animals and what to do.

## **Beef**

By Seth Volheim

The Beef project is about kids being responsible and learning about caring for their animals. First you go and pick out your steer and buy it. Second you halter break it and raise it until Fair and show it.

## **In 4-H We Do Many Projects**

By Becca Cardwell and Taylor Stafford

In 4-H we do many projects from sewing to raising animals. The projects we do are swine, archery, and sports shooting. Both of these projects keep us very busy which we find keeps us out of trouble. It also teaches us responsibility skills. 4-H is a very good thing to get involved in and the experience is very great, and you make lots of friends.

## **Swine**

By Shaun Cardwell and Colten Sullivan

This year we are in swine. We are excited to go to fair. At fair we show our pigs in two competitions, showmanship, and market. Market is based on your pig and showmanship is based on how your pig looks and how you look. We hope to do well this year in swine.

## **The Northern Nevada Poultry Fanciers Association Show**

By Tayler Figueroa

Recently this month I went to the Northern Nevada Poultry Fanciers Association Show in Reno, Nevada. This show was an organized event. I would recommend this show to anyone in the Poultry Project. It was a positive showing experience and at the show youth and open exhibitors compete for different awards. Overall this was an awesome show. It also is a 4-H sponsored event.

## Fun Fair

By Maddy Zucca

The Fun Fair was really fun and you were able to learn so much. I'm going to write about the poultry part of the day. First, the peewees practiced showmanship, walking and caging the chickens. Next was the novice level, which I am in. We also practiced showmanship, walking and caging the chickens, and we also learned about breed, class and the variety of our chickens. Next, the junior level practiced the same things as us. Finally, it was time for the senior level to practice. They did the same things too, but they had questions about different breeds of chickens. I hope to come back next year and have as much fun as I've had this year!



## NEVADA COUNTY EVENTS, & MEETINGS

August 8-12, 2012	Nevada County Fair	Nevada County Fairgrounds
September 13, 2012	Nevada County 4-H Open House	Grass Valley Veteran's Memorial Building
September 20-23, 2012	Draft Horse Classic	Nevada County Fairgrounds
Sept. 21-23, 2012	WHY Conference Nevada County Hosts	Diamond Arrow Campground
Oct. 6, 2012	Achievement Night	Nevada County Fairgrounds

### NO NEVADA COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING in AUGUST

**Next Council  
meeting  
Sept. 13,  
2012**

**COUNCIL MEETINGS** The Nevada County 4-H Leader's Council meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month except for June, August, and December at **7pm** at the Grass Valley Veteran's Memorial Building, 255 South Auburn Street, Grass Valley. The purpose of the council meetings is to bring representatives together from all clubs to plan events, share ideas and concerns, and to determine appropriate actions as needed. Agendas are put together during the week before each meeting. To add items to the agenda, notify the current president by the 1st of the month.

All 4-H volunteers, members, and their families are invited to attend council meetings and add their ideas and concerns, but only certified volunteers and youth members 9th grade and above can make a motion or vote. Meeting agendas and minutes can be found at:

[http://groups.ucanr.org/uccenevada4h/Nevada\\_County\\_4-H\\_Leaders\\_Council/](http://groups.ucanr.org/uccenevada4h/Nevada_County_4-H_Leaders_Council/)

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS 6pm

The Executive Committee holds a regular meeting on Tuesday during the week prior to the Council meeting. They meet at **6:00pm** at the Grass Valley Veteran's Memorial Building, 255 South Auburn Street, Grass Valley. The Executive Committee consists of the Council officers, 1 community club leader from each recognized club or their designee, and the current All Stars.



**4-H Links:**

- California State 4-H Website: <http://www.ca4h.org>
- State 4-H Newsletters: <http://www.ca4h.org/News>
- National 4-H Headquarters Website: <http://www.4-h.org>
- 4-H Mall: <http://www.4-hmall.org>
- 4-H Clover Safety Notes: <http://safety.ucanr.org/4h/>
- National 4-H Council: <http://www.fourhcouncil.edu/>

**4-H Policy Note:**

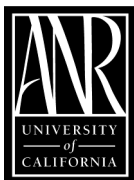
**General Liability Insurance:** UC's General Liability & Self Insurance program does not cover 4-H youth members and it does not cover project animals, including damages or injury caused by the animals. Since junior exhibitors have been sued for injuries sustained at fairs, it is suggested that junior exhibitors consider taking out a liability policy through a private company covering themselves and their exhibit. Home Owner policies may include or can often be written to include this coverage. Much more General Liability Insurance information can be found at <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Policies/>

**Share Your 4-H Experience!**

Any 4-H member can submit an article for this newsletter. Tell us about a special event or community service you have participated in. A digital picture with your article is a great addition. NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Due the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Send it via e-mail to: [cenevada@ucdavis.edu](mailto:cenevada@ucdavis.edu). All articles are subject to approval by the 4-H Youth Development Advisor. After approval, articles are published as space permits. Send photos in JPG format.

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County Director

Jill Simmons  
4-H Youth Development Representative



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