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4-H Family Newsletter

Placer County, California

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Membership & Volunteer Cards

Youth Membership Cards: Your Community Club Leaders will be picking up your 4-H Club Member Cards at the January Community Leader/Council Meeting, making them available to distribute at your next 4-H Club meeting. They will also provide to each family a copy of the 4-H Youth Code of Conduct and Parent/Adult Behavior Guidelines.

Volunteer Leader Cards: Your card was mailed directly to you as your enrollment was confirmed. If you have not yet received your card, it is possible you have not completed the enrollment process. If you have questions, please contact Beth at the 4-H office by email at bsatterlee@ucanr.edu or by phone at 530-889-7386.

4-H Enrollment is Open Year Around...

...but there are some advantages to enrolling in the fall, at the beginning of the new 4-H year.

- Some clubs have met their capacity and are closed to new enrollment such as Gold Country 4-H Club.
- You must be enrolled in the 4-H market projects of your choice prior to Nov. 30th if enrolling in a market animal project to be shown and sold at Gold Country or Placer County Fairs in 2015.
- Some projects are in progress and too many meetings have been missed. Check with the project leader to verify space available and receive permission to participate.
- Returning members must attend 80% of all Club Meetings held within the club year. Only 1st year members count 80% of club meetings after enrolling with club.

The 4-H program has a wealth of information and opportunities for youth ages 5 (or in Kindergarten) through and until their 19th birthday (if it falls after Dec. 31st of the enrollment year).

You want to become involved in Science, Engineering, and Technology and don't see a project available? Let's find an adult who is interested in these fields to become the 4-H adult volunteer leader and get a project going. New projects can be started and youth enroll anytime. The CA 4-H Policy requires new and unusual project outlines be submitted for approval by the County Director and include a minimum of six instructional hours for non-animal projects. Animal projects require more follow-up instruction.

Please visit the link for contact information to the clubs within Placer County 4-H

http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/Community_Clubs/

Club and Project Leaders - Please remember that the 4-H office must process a Facilities Use Form, for insurance purposes, for all club or project meetings at any location, except those meetings held in the leader's home. Complete and submit the form a maximum of two weeks before your first meeting. You may complete the Facilities Use Form through the survey link below or by returning a paper copy to the office. Please contact the 4-H Office with any questions you might have.

Project Leader Resources: http://ucanr.edu/projectleaderresources

Placer County 4-H Events

February 22, 2015	County Presentation Day: Pre-registration Due	**http://ucanr.edu/placerpresentationday**
February 28, 2015	County Presentation Day	**http://ucanr.edu/placerpresentationday**
March 28, 2015	Sectional Presentation Day	**http://ucanr.edu/nspresentationdayregistration**
April 25, 2015	Bi-County Fashion Revue	Web page coming in February

County 4-H Presentation Day

Saturday, February 28, 2015 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Registration Due: February 22, 2015

Location: To Be Announced, please continue to check the Placer County 4-H website for updates. http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/

Pre-registration is REQUIRED: http://ucanr.edu/placerpresentationday

Sectional Presentation Day
Saturday, March 28, 2015
Location: Magnolia Middle School
Grass Valley

What is a 4-H Presentation?

A presentation is a method used to communicate an idea by showing and/or telling. It can be a demonstration or a talk that uses posters and other visual aids. A 4-H Presentation helps you learn to research a subject, organize ideas in a logical order, be a teacher and practice public speaking skills. Any 4-H member may participate.

Placer County Presentation Day will be patterned after the format for the 4-H Regional and State Presentation Days. A State "Presentations Guide for 4-H Members, version #3 " is available on line at http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/2193.pdf. Presentation categories include: Demonstration, Impromptu, Illustrated Talk, Interpretive Reading, Problem Solving, Prepared Speech, Educational Display, Audio-Visual, Cultural Arts, and a group speech-activity named "Share-the-Fun".

Community Club Leaders and Presentation Project Leaders will have a copy and more copies can be obtained at the 4-H office. This guide is a great resource of information! To have a successful presentation it must contain the following:

1. An introduction—it should briefly cover what is to be shown or told.
2. A body—it should illustrate the subject logically and clearly.
3. A summary—it should reiterate what has been said so that the audience takes away the main idea.

Don't forget an original and catchy title, this will set the stage for your presentation! Most of all...Enjoy Yourself!

California 4-H offers thematic recognition pins for youth who participate at State 4-H Presentation Day and focus their presentations on one of the following areas:

- **Science, Engineering and Technology:** Geospatial Science
- **Healthy Living:** Hydration
- **Thrive:** The Path to Thriving
- **Citizenship:** Civic Education

Visit the State 4-H website for more details about participating in this opportunity: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/177533.pdf

Community Club Leader Meeting
Wednesday, February 25, 2015
7:00 pm

4-H Office Closed
Thursday, February 12
Monday, February 16

Horse Event Dates

Save these dates:

February 15 **Placer County 4-H "All County" Qualifying Horse Show @** *Lincoln Crossroads Equestrian Center*
Registration due: Monday, February 9, 2015

April 1-17 **4-H Horse Mastership *Written* Testing Dates**. Tests are to be administered by horse project leaders to members within date range, and returned to **Tammi Clader,** tclader@ncbb.net, by April 20th.

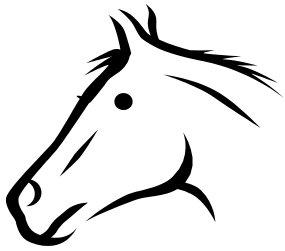
April 26 **4-H Horse Mastership *Levels 1-4 Skills* Testing** @ *Loomis Basin Horsemen's Arena*
Registration due: April 20, 2015

May 17 **Placer County Fair Qualifying Horse Show @** *Loomis Basin Horsemen's Arena*
Registration due Friday, May 8, 2015, (*Rain Date: May 31, 2015)*

Mar 8, Apr 12 **Sacramento County *"Silver Buckle"* Qualifying Horse Shows**

June 24-28 **CA State 4-H Classic Horse Show**

TBA **CA State Fair "Best of County" Horse Show**



2015 State Fashion Revue

State 4-H Fashion Revue (SFR) categories for 2015 will be Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased ($40 limit), "Up-cycled" (use at least one existing garment and transform it into a completely different and usable garment, and the outfit must also include an accessory made from something that wasn't originally an accessory), Jacket Challenge, and Costume Challenge. Members, leaders and counties are encouraged to plan projects and county fashion revues following the SFR category guidelines. For the Up-cycle project, be sure to take a "before" photo holding the original item and an "after" photo wearing the outfit. Specific category information is posted at http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/SFR/.
Additional SFR Rules:

- Traditional, Up-cycled and Jacket Challenge entries must be sewn as part of the member's Clothing & Textiles project (aka Sewing). There are no project requirements for the CS-Purchased and Costume Challenge categories.
- For all entries, the outfit must be produced and modeled by the individual member.
- All outfits must meet SFR modesty guidelines. New for 2015: all shorts, skirts, dresses, etc. must be at least fingertip length.
- Other categories offered in other years, will not be included at 2015 SFR. Only the 5 categories listed above are included for 2015 at the state event.
- Counties may offer additional categories but all outfits qualifying to advance to SFR must meet SFR guidelines.
- A member may only enter one outfit in SFR.
- Age divisions changed statewide this year. They are, as of 12/31/2014: Junior age 9-10, Intermediate 11-13, Senior 14-18.

State Fashion Revue is coordinating two service projects: **"Fashion It Pillowcases"** and **"Hats for the Hopeful".** They can be made of fleece, soft fabric or knitted/crocheted of soft yarn. Please visit SFR site below for further information. Specific category information is posted at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/SFR/
This State Fashion Revue is a "qualifying event", meaning that you must pre-qualify by submitting items at a County-level event before submitting them to the State Fashion Revue. The Bi-County Fashion Revue will be held on April 25, 2015 and will be hosted by Placer County. Location to be announced, so please watch the 4-H website for additional information and updates.

State 4-H Field Day

Save the Date! - May 30, 2015 at UC Davis

The State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the last Saturday of May at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. This event, open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents, welcomes between 1,000 and 1,400 people each year. Enjoy the "picnic" feel and bring your chairs to socialize for the day on the Wellman Hall east lawn. The State 4-H Office provides coordination and facility support. Each contest and activity is coordinated by a group of 4-H staff, volunteers, and youth. During the event, 4-H members may participate in a variety of contests. Some contests require pre-qualification and/or pre-registration, and some events are open to all 4-H'ers during the day.

EVENTS HELD AT STATE 4-H FIELD DAY:

Chess Tournament (pre-registration required) The tournament is "Blitz" style. Two people play each other twice per round and there are 4 rounds, which is 8 games total. Each game is 15 minutes and 30 minutes per round, which is 2 hrs total. The playoffs are in the afternoon, after lunch. Visit http://4-hchessmasters.webs.com/ to register and for more information!

State 4-H Presentation Day (pre-qualification and pre-registration required): Volunteer judges provide written feedback to individual or teams of 4-H members on their presentations. Judging is criterion-based using a rubric. Types of presentations vary between demonstrations, prepared speech, interpretive reading, impromptu, and others. http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/

State 4-H Fashion Revue (pre-qualification and pre-registration required): Volunteer judges provide feedback on 4-H members' clothing and accessory choices using criterion-based rubrics. Categories are *Traditional*, *Consumer Science Purchased*, *Up-cycled,* and *Jacket Challenge*. Open to the public are multiple service, craft, judging and fashion activities, and a fashion show. Organized by a committee of youth and adult volunteers. Contact: Sue Moore, 2moores@mlode.com for more information.

State 4-H Interview Contest (pre-registration encouraged): Before the event, 4-H members select a mock job and develop a cover letter and resume. At the event, 4-H members are interviewed and evaluated by three judges using a rubric. Contact: Kelly Hinde at hindekelly@gmail.com

State 4-H Plant Science Contest (no pre-registration necessary): The contest is organized into three parts: judging, plant identification, and written test. The four highest ranking senior 4-H members are qualified to participate in the national contest. Contact: Terry Berke at terry.berke@monsanto.com.

Entomology Contest (no pre-registration is necessary): The contest is divided into two parts: insect identification and knowledge. In the insect identification contest, 4-H members will identify 25-30 common local insects as well as exotic insects by using their common name and insect order. In the knowledge contest, 4-H members will be questioned on the human and environmental impact of insects, biology, taxonomy, anatomy, behavior, and insect disease. Contact: Amanda Penicks at PKSBackyardfarms@aol.com

State 4-H Photography Contest (pre-registration required): 4-H members may submit two photographs in various categories. Contact: John Trammell at techdude4h@gmail.com.

State 4-H Film Festival (pre-registration required): Provides a venue for teams of 4-H members to showcase their films. View a selection of previous year's films at http://www.youtube.com/user/California4H. Contact: Clay Ferguson at czc3@pacbell.net.

Judging Contest (no pre-registration necessary): In each class, youth rank four items based on a standard; typically ten classes. Contact: Mary Ann Smith at maryann.smith@imperial.edu.

Logo Contest (no pre-registration necessary): In the morning, 4-H members may submit their logo design for the following year's Field Day. In the afternoon, 4-H members vote on their favorite design.

4-H MyPlate Challenge (no pre-registration required): We invite you to submit a photograph illustrating how you're creating healthy meals using MyPlate as a guide. The goal of the challenge is to encourage healthy eating habits and raise awareness around USDA's MyPlate dietary guidelines. Contact: Anne Iaccopucci at amiaccopucci@ucanr.edu

State Leadership Conference – July 23-26, 2015 at UC Irvine

http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience.

State and National News

California Focus - June 19-23, 2015

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. For more information visit their website at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/CF/

Citizenship Washington Focus - May 31-June 6, June 7-13, June 28-July 4, July 5-11, July 12-18, 2015

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a week-long 4-H citizenship program for youth ages 14-19 that takes place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just 1 mile from the Washington, DC border. Every summer, thousands of young people participate in the program, which provides opportunities for them to:

- Strengthen their communication, leadership, and citizenship skills on a national level
- Understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders
- Exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other youth from diverse backgrounds
- Experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of Washington, DC.

For more information visit the following website:
http://www.4hcenter.org/youth-conference-center-overview/educational-programs/citizenship-washington-focus/about/.

Leadership Washington Focus - July 15-19, 22-26, July 6-10, 13-17, 2015

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) is a 4-H leadership program for youth entering grades 7 through 9. The program will take place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just 1 mile from the Washington, D.C. border. For more than 50 years, thousands of 4-H'ers have participated in our high school program, Citizenship Washington Focus and now we are happy to introduce its precursor for middle school 4-H'ers. For more information visit the following website: http://www.4hcenter.org/youth-conference-center-overview/educational-programs/leadership-washington-focus/about/ . If your interested in participating, contact Jenna Colburn at jcolburn@ucanr.edu

Fair News and Dates

Placer County Fair	**June 25-28, 2015**	**http://www.placercountyfair.org**
PC Pre-Weigh In	**Beef** Saturday, January 24 8-11 am	**Sheep, Swine & Goats:** Saturday, April 25 7-11 am
Gold Country Fair	**September 10-13, 2015**	**http://www.goldcountryfair.com**
GC Pre-Weigh In	**Beef** Saturday, April 11 8-11 am	**Sheep, Swine & Goats:** Saturday July 11 7-11 am

Placer County and Gold Country Fair would like to remind us:

County, District and State Fairs cannot legally carry liability insurance covering junior exhibitors and/or their exhibits. Liability insurance is the responsibility and at the discretion of the junior exhibitor. Therefore, it is suggested that junior exhibitors consider taking out a liability policy covering themselves and their exhibits. All Independent Exhibitors are required to show proof of liability insurance. All other junior Exhibitors (4-H and FFA) are strongly urged to carry liability insurance. A policy may be purchased through California Fair Services Authority for a minimal cost. Please be aware that Gold Country Fair Jr. Livestock Rule # 36, stating that market steers must be under control at all times, will be strictly enforced. Call the Fair offices for assistance and applications.

Quality Assurance/Ethics Mandatory Training - Gold Country Fairgrounds' Sierra Building

All 4-H project leaders, 4-H exhibitors, FFA Advisors, FFA exhibitors, Independent exhibitors and parents of Independent exhibitors MUST complete Quality Assurance/Ethics training once every five years. Entries will not be accepted by the fairs if training was not completed- NO EXCEPTIONS. This mandatory training is for those exhibitors entering small animals or livestock at Placer County Fair and/or Gold Country Fair. These requirements are established by Placer County Fair and Gold Country Fair. All trainings are organized by the fairs.

Gold Country Fairgrounds' Sierra Building on the following dates:
Thursday, April 9th - 6:30 pm
Thursday, June 11th - 6:30 pm
Thursday, July 9th - 6:30 pm
Direct questions to: Laurie Johnson, Gold Country Fair 530-823-4530

VALENTINES FOR VETS

Please join the Colfax VFW Ladies Auxiliary 2003 in making handmade Valentines for Vets to go to the Reno VA Hospital, and our Placer County military serving in war zones.

Cards no larger than 8"x1"
Individual envelopes not necessary.

Deadline: February 6, 2015

Deliver to the Colfax Library, the Chamber of Commerce at the train depot, or mail to Beth Murphy. Contact: 530-637-4893.

Shooting Sports Leader/Trainer Courses

Rifle Discipline

Saturday, February 7, 2015, 8am-6:00pm
Sunday, February 8, 2015, 8am-4:00pm
Location: Safety First Association, River Oaks Range
Winton, CA (Merced County)

Participants must **attend both days of training** to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle volunteer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucanr.edu

For more information please visit:

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Projects/SET/ShootingSports/

Rifle Discipline

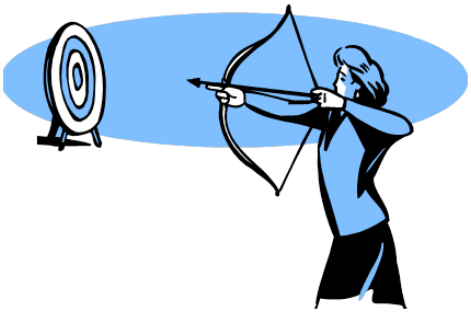
Saturday, March 14, 2015, 8am-4:00pm
Sunday, March 15, 2015, 8am-4:00pm
Location: Lincoln Rifle Club,
McBean Park Indoor Range
Lincoln (Placer County)

Participants **must attend both days of training** to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as a county trainer to certify other leaders. The cost for the course is $40.00 to cover the instruction binder that each participant will receive as well as lunch on Saturday. 4-H Teen Leaders are invited but must attend with an adult. Participants should bring their own eye and ear protection if desired. To register for the course or receive more information, contact Eric Vander Linden at shootingsports4h@gmail.com or 916-257-4796.

Please visit website for more information.
http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/?calitem=230011&g=25577

Deadline to register is March 6th

3nd Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Match



The 3rd Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Match Rules and Entry Form is now available on the State 4-H Shooting Sports website. Entry deadline is March 16, 2015. Each leader MUST have the entry form signed by a 4-H staff person along with payment with council check. The deadline for returning the entries is June 16, 2015. The rules and entry forms can be found at http://cemendocino.ucanr.edu/files/204379.pdf for the rules and http://cemendocino.ucanr.edu/files/204380.pdf for the entry forms. A reminder, only a currently enrolled approved archery leader can sign and send in the entries and score the cards as the member shoots. Any questions contact Linda Edgington at lgedgington@ucanr.edu or 707-463-4495.

Other Opportunities

California State University, Chico Farm Pavilion - Saturday, February 7, 2015

Youth lamb and meat goat project members can learn about various aspects of their project! Topics will include nutrition, fitting and grooming, showmanship and selection. There is a $5/person charge, but those under 9 are free. Concession lunch will be provided by the Northern California Meat Goat Association Youth members. All paid participants in the Sheep and Goat Educational day will receive 2 raffle tickets for a raffle ewe. Additionally, if you need a project lamb or goat kid for May/June fairs, there is a sale of about 60 lambs and 15 goats that afternoon! Check our website for more info: http://www.chicostatesheepgoat.com/fieldday.html

General Schedule:

- 7:30-9:00 am – Registration and Trade Show (be ready to shop!)
- 9:00-11:30 am – Educational workshops – rotation, participants will select which ones to attend.
- 11:30-12:00 pm – Consensus judging – participants vote to select the champion and reserve champion of each species!
- 11:30-12:45 pm – Lunch and preview of lambs and goats
- 12:45 pm – Animal Sale starts

38th Annual Agricultural/Environmental Sciences Field Day

The UC Davis CA&ES Field Day is the 2014/15 California 4-H State Qualifier for Poultry, Dairy and Livestock judging. To register, go to http://calaged.csuchico.edu/registration/. Select the event: 2015 U.C. Davis Agricultural & Environmental Sciences Field Day. Choose the link "Get Access Code". Complete the information on the form and click the register button. Please include 4-H next to your club name on the registration form. On the following page save the registration code and register later or simply continue with the registration at this point. Note that you may only register once, so be prepared to complete the registration, or contact UC Davis if you have any changes. After your chapter is registered, we request that you submit a printed copy of your online registration along with

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Placer County STEM Expo-March 7, 2015

At the free, one-day event students get the chance to showcase their Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) work in a fun and unique venue. Seven categories allow students to participate in different fields: Environmental/Agriculture Innovation, Invention, Reverse Engineering, Robotics/Computer Science, Rube Goldberg, Science Fiction, and Science Inquiry. In addition to incredible student presentations, we have outstanding science shows and talks, STEM scientists and organizations, hands-on activities for the whole family.
To find out more information and/or participate please visit: www.stemexpo.org

2015 Embryology Workshop

All those interested in the embryology program and using a 4-H incubator need to attend this embryology training.

****Please only teachers and adult volunteers permitted****

Register for the training by February 16th

Feb. 24th 2015

4:30 pm to 6:00 pm or 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Placer County UCCE/4-H Office

11477 E Ave

Auburn, CA

For more information and questions please visit:

http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/Embryology/

or call the 4-H Office (530) 889-7386

2015 Revolution of Responsibility

Application Deadlines are as follows:

January 15, 2015 March 15, 2015

May 15, 2015 July 15, 2015

September 15, 2015

http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/

For additional information on State events, updates, and opportunities for 4-H families visit the California 4H Newsletter

http://4h.ucanr.edu/News/Newsletter/

Please visit the Placer County 4-H Calendar regularly for relevant upcoming events for 4-H'ers:

http://ucanr.edu/placer4hcalendar

Share Your 4-H Experience!

Any 4-H member can submit an article for this newsletter.

NEXT NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

March 12, 2015

Send it via e-mail to: bsatterlee@ucdavis.edu All articles are subject to approval by the 4-H Program Representative. After approval, articles are published as space permits. A digital picture with your article is a great addition.

Please send photos in JPG format.

More 4-H Links:

California State 4-H Website: http://www.ca4h.org

4-H Mall: http://www.4-hmall.org

State 4-H Newsletters: http://www.ca4h.org/News

4-H Clover Safety Notes: http://safety.ucanr.org/4h/

National 4-H Headquarters Website: http://www.4-h.org

National 4-H Council: http://www.fourhcouncil.edu/

California 4hOnline: (enrollment) https://california.4honline.com

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