All Stars

Do you have your gold star? Are you getting your gold star by the end of this 4-H year? Are you 15 years or older by January 1, 2014? Are you interested in being more involved in the county and helping planning fun events like SMYL and Animal Challenge Field Day? If you answered yes to these questions then you should apply to be an All Star for 2013-2014. The application can be found at [http://ucanr.edu/sites/smsf4h/Star_Programs/](http://ucanr.edu/sites/smsf4h/Star_Programs/) and it is due on **August 31, 2013.**

Scholarship II - 4-H Alumni

If you are currently enrolled in higher education, you are eligible to compete for one of the 2013 San Mateo County 4-H Scholarship II scholarships. For more information please go to: [http://ucanr.edu/sites/smsf4h/files/166360.pdf](http://ucanr.edu/sites/smsf4h/files/166360.pdf)

Applications, recommendations, and transcripts are due in the County Office no later than **Friday, June 21, 2013.**

Seeking 4-Hers for Interviews

We are developing a collection of oral histories from past and present members to celebrate the 4-H Centennial. While we will be delighted to hear from any members, we are especially hoping to find some well-seasoned 4-Hers who would enjoy telling us about some of their memorable experiences in 4-H. If you have a story or two that would give listeners a glimpse into a bit of 4-H's history, or if you know a former member who might like to share some stories with us, please let me know, and feel free to pass along my phone number (650-440-9709) and/or my email address: baileyhayashi@yahoo.com. Thank you!

-- Mary Hayashi, San Carlos Eaton Hills 4-H Club

Important Information for Swine and Poultry Showing at Fairs

[http://ucanr.edu/sites/smsf4h/News_and_Updates/](http://ucanr.edu/sites/smsf4h/News_and_Updates/)
Upcoming Fair Dates and Cake Booth Information

General Fair Entries are due May 8, 2013
Barn Setup for Livestock is June 1, 2013

CAKE BOOTH SCHEDULE

Saturday June 8th, SF Urban 4-H---Full Day, 10:30am til 10:30pm
Sunday June 9th, Half Moon Bay 4-H---10:30am til 5:15pm
Sunday June 9th, San Mateo 4-H Camp---4:45pm til 10:30pm
Monday June 10th, Canada 4-H---Full Day, 11:30am til 10:30pm
Tuesday June 11th, San Mateo County 4-H Scholarship 11---10:30am til 5:15pm
Tuesday June 11th, Daly City/Colma 4-H---4:45pm til 10:30pm
Wednesday June 12th, Coastside 4-H---11:30am til 5:00pm
Wednesday June 12th, San Bruno 4-H---4:30pm til 10:30pm
Thursday June 13th, Belmont 4-H---Full Day,11:30am til 10:30pm
Friday June 14th, Pacifica 4-H---Full Day,11:30am til 10:30pm
Saturday June 15th, Burlingame/San Mateo 4-H---Full Day,10:30am-10:30pm
Sunday June 16th, San Carlos 4-H---Full Day, 10:30am til 10:30pm
Disaster Preparedness Day

Is your family ready?

Fire  Earthquake  Tsunami  Terrorism

Saturday, June 8, 2013

10AM - 2PM, San Mateo County Event Center, 1346 Saratoga Avenue, San Mateo

Arrive before 11am for free parking & free admission to the County Fair

Family & friends CPR Saturday!
Take a free & fast course in basic CPR

Emergency Kit and Disaster Plan Instructions
First-Aid, Police, Fire & Emergency Equipment Demonstrations

For more information, contact Office of Emergency Services at (650) 363-4790 or the Office of Supervisor Adrienne J. Tissier (650) 363-4572
Where Are We Going?
After falling down the rabbit hole, nothing Alice experienced conformed to the norms she knew. She felt absolutely lost and wished desperately to find her way back to her familiar world. She asked the Cheshire Cat, “Puss, would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here.” The Cat grinned and said, “That depends a good deal on where you want to get to.” Frustrated, Alice replied: “I don’t much care where!” “Then it doesn’t matter which way you go,” said the Cat. Sometimes we, too, feel lost like Alice. We like to know where we are and where we’re headed, and what we need to get there.

Come to the State 4-H Leaders’ Forum at the Sacramento Crowne Plaza on November 8 – 10, 2013. Help sort out the direction of where California 4-H is headed and be part of the journey with your 4-H colleagues and friends. It’s time to coalesce into a united flock to negotiate the different twists and turns to realize our goals for the next 100 years.

Website for SLF registration materials, workshop proposal forms, silent auction forms, recognition survey: http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLF/

- Don’t forget to complete and submit the SLF Workshop Request for Proposal Form by June 30, 2013: http://ucanr.edu/slf2013workshop.
- Early Bird registration by Sept. 1 saves you money!
- Each year for the SLF Silent Auction we find that items made by 4-Hers bring in the most money. If you know of youth who are clever and wish to donate a hand-made article that is worth $10 or more, please contact Louise Silacci, moolu@unwiredbb.com
- The Tech Team wishes to have a head/shoulder picture of each and every 4-H volunteer in California. Please submit to John Trammel, techdude4h@gmail.com. Pictures should be good quality, at least 600 KB in size. Title each photo with the name and county of the person pictured.
- SLF centennial pins are available from the Sectional Council presidents. The cost is $3.00 per pin. To purchase pins in bulk please contact Noel Keller, nkeller91711@gmail.com

Western Region Leader's Forum
March 27-30, 2014
Billings, Montana
Workshop proposals for the WRLF 2014 are being accepted now. Proposals due June 1. Visit their website for more information and a workshop proposal form: www.wrlf2014.com

iDevelop
iDevelop is our virtual platform for professional development. The purpose of iDevelop is to provide deeper learning around the principles of positive youth development and to assist 4-H staff and volunteers in creating and sustaining healthy environments for our 4-H members to reach their full potential. For a description of the courses offered and access to them, click on the following link: http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Volunteers/4-H_Thrive_Resources/4-H_Thrive_Virtual_Trainings/.

4-H Volunteer Café
Are you a club or project leader who is tired of doing the same old activities month after month? Maybe you need something designed just for you to encourage your own personal growth. The 4-H Volunteer Café is a place designed just for you providing inspiring and thought-provoking articles of how the principles of positive youth development translate into your 4-H experience, it offers tons of resources for you as a 4-H volunteer that you can use immediately in your meetings and gives you a place where you can contribute your own experiences and challenges. To check out the 4-H Volunteer Café, use the following link: http://4hvolunteercafe.wordpress.com/

4-H Archery Certification Workshop
Tulare, CA
A 4-H Archery Certification Training for volunteers and junior/teen leaders will be offered Saturday, June 22, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Sunday, June 23rd, 9 a.m.- 12 noon, at the Unverferth Building, 1903 S Blackstone St., Tulare, CA 93274. You must be an enrolled 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is $10 per person to include a resource binder, and light refreshments. Lunch is on your own, and there are several eating establishments close by. To register, please complete and mail the “CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form” available at http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf, and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a $10 check payable to “Tulare County 4-H Leader Council” and mail to Tulare County Archery Certification Training, 4437-B S. Laspina St., Tulare, CA 93274. Registration is due Friday, June 14, 2013 and space is limited. For more information call Leah Harrelson, 4-H Program Representative at 559-684-3322 or email Llaharrelson@ucanr.edu.
The 2013 National 4-H Shooting Sports Teen Leadership Institute (formerly known as ambassador training) will be held **July 25 – 28, 2013** at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. The application packets will be available soon and will be forwarded to you. The Teen Leadership Institute is open to youth involved in the 4-H shooting sports project who are 14 years of age or older. This four day event will host youth from all over the United States and will involve leadership development training as well as a tour of the local area.

Each state is allowed to send two applicants. If there is a teen in your county that you feel would be an outstanding candidate for this event, please provide her/him with the application packet when you receive it. This must be a teen involved in your 4-H shooting sports program that you feel would ideally represent your county and the state and would serve as a positive role model to other youth. The youth needs to be responsible enough to travel on their own if need be and attend sessions with little supervision. In short, any name you put forward needs to be a mature individual who is currently demonstrating leadership at the county level. We are looking for youth that exhibit excellent leadership skills and who happen to shoot, not excellent shooters who never help at the county level. Remember, this needs to be a 4-H member that YOU will personally vouch for as to their character, responsibility, and dedication to 4-H.

The costs of the institute are paid for the National 4-H Shooting Sports Committee. Up to $500 of the travel costs will be reimbursed by the California 4-H Shooting Sports Committee. Upon their return, these youth are expected to give a presentation about their experience at their sectional leadership conference.

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**4-H Archery Certification Training**

A **4-H Archery Certification Training for volunteers and junior/teen leaders** will be offered **Saturday, June 1st**, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., and **Sunday, June 2nd**, 9 a.m. – 12 noon, at the Mt. Shasta City Park, Lower Lodge, 1315 Nixon Street, Mt. Shasta, CA in Siskiyou County. You must be an enrolled 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is $25 per person to include a resource binder, range fees, and Saturday lunch. For current 4-H certified archery leaders, if you would like to become a trainer and provide certification at the county level, please contact Jeanne for more details. You would attend this training and assist with the teaching of this class.

To register, please complete and mail the “CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form” available at [http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf](http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf), and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a $25 check payable to “Siskiyou County 4-H Council” and mail to Leland & Jeanne George, 8504 N. Old Stage Road, Weed, CA 96094. Registration is due Friday, May 24th and space is limited. For more information call Jeanne at 530-524-7278 or email her at mtlaslover@gmail.com.

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**4-H SET: Cardboard Automaton, Simple Machines**

Authored by: Steven Worker - Science, Engineering & Technology (SET) Coordinator

The 4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology Initiative is designed to engage young people in science and engineering, spark an interest, and ultimately, help address the critical need for more scientists and engineers in the workforce. Jessica Choi, and her father, Dr. B. William Choi saw a need to help further the SET Initiative, so in 2009, on their own initiative, knowing that 4-H Clubs need low-cost educational activities, Jessica, with help from her father, designed the Cardboard Automaton workshop.

The Cardboard automaton workshop is a hands-on inquiry based experience that is low cost and environmentally friendly, using shoe boxes that would otherwise be thrown away and common household items, such as straws and skewers. This workshop explores simple machine elements such ascams, levers, and linkages while engaging participates in using creativity and problem-solving skills to accomplish a task. Since 2009, Jessica has presented this workshop to over 850 youth and adults at a variety of venues, including club meetings, the County Leaders’ Council meeting, California 4-H State Leadership Conference, California State Leaders Forum, International Society for Technology in Education Conference, local schools, and at the Livermore Civic Library 4-H Information Day. Youth participants in the workshops were inspired to explore further independently, as well as share what they had already learned with others. This project supported the goals of the California 4-H SET Initiative by increasing interest in engineering and technology among both 4-H and non-4-H youth.

In addition to the workshop, Jessica has developed a companion curriculum others may use to deliver this excellent engineering education to youth. The curriculum is professional in its appearance and offers useful tips to the facilitator. The curriculum is available at (student guide) [http://www.4-h.org/my4h/Detail.aspx?contentId=2147502631](http://www.4-h.org/my4h/Detail.aspx?contentId=2147502631) and (facilitator guide) [http://www.4-h.org/my4h/Detail.aspx?contentId=2147502632](http://www.4-h.org/my4h/Detail.aspx?contentId=2147502632)

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**Quote of the Month**

“The best things in life are unseen, that’s why we close our eyes when we kiss, cry, and dream.”

Author Unknown
To celebrate our centennial we are going big at the CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR! Check out the full list of activities at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/CountyFairs/

1) July 21, 24-27: Gold Seal Presentations from State 4-H Field Day (http://ucanr.edu/gold-seal/)
4-H members receiving a gold seal at the State 4-H Presentation Day on May 25, 2013 at UC Davis are eligible to present, non-competitively, at the California State Fair. 4-H members will present 1-3 times during an hour-long block of time on July 21, 24, 25, 26, & 27.

2) July 16, 20, 23: Present your Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Projects (http://ucanr.edu/stem/)
4-H members and volunteers are invited for three types of exhibits.

   A) July 16, 2013, 11am - 8pm: Eco-Bot
   4-H will present Eco-Bot, the National 4-H Youth Science Experiment. 4-H volunteers and members will help children design and build a simple brush-robot to cleanup a spill (simulated using a cookie sheet and rice). Materials and instructions are provided. We just need 4-H volunteers and members to sign-up for 2-hour blocks during the day!

   B) July 20 (10-8pm) & July 23 (11-8pm)
   i) Non-Competitive 4-H Presentations – 4-H members are invited to present, non-competitively, at the California State Fair on July 20 and 23. 4-H members will present 1-3 times during an hour-long block of time on one day. Presentations must be related to 4-H science, engineering, or technology.
   ii) Hands-on, Interactive, 4-H Science, Engineering and Technology Activities – Groups of 4-H members, volunteers and staff are invited to engage the public in quick hands-on activities. The group will conduct activities with the public for at least an hour block of time on one day.

3) July 23 & 24: 4-H Cooking Throwdown (http://ucanr.edu/throwdown/)
4-H Cooking Throwdown - 4-H members are invited to participate in the 4-H Throwdown at the California State Fair. Teams will consist of 2 youth members and 1 teen leader. The minimum age is 12 years old, total of 3 members. Each round will have a secret ingredient. Each course must include the secret ingredient. Each team will have 10 minutes to prep and then 50 minutes to cook a three course meal. A judge will taste all courses prepared and the winners of each round will then compete at 4:00pm each day to determine the daily 4-H Throwdown Champion! Each day has a theme: July 23rd- International Cuisine; July 24th- BBQ Throwdown without the Grill. Facility: California Kitchen at the State Fair. Below are images of the California Kitchen where the Throwdowns will take place!

4) Represent California 4-H by exhibiting at the Fair
We are working on a 4-H Day-July 20th!
Share your memories of the State Fair http://www.bigfun.org/memories/!
4-H State Leadership Conference 2013
July 25-28, 2013 at UC Davis
Celebrating 100 years of California 4-H. This year’s theme: There’s no place like 4-H The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. For more information visit: http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/

Save the Date:
June 26-30, 2013
The California 4-H Horse Classic at Brookside Equestrian Park in Elk Grove (20mins south of Sacramento)
We are offering Tenderfoot classes and Miniature Horse Classes this year. Tenderfoot classes are for those whom were unable to participate in a qualifying horse show. Also don’t forget about our educational contests: Hippology, Horse Bowl, Horse Judging, Public Speaking, and demonstrations.

Hosting a Qualifying show for the 2013 California Horse Classic?
Register your show here: http://ucanr.edu/qualifying-shows for it to be considered a qualifying show for the 2013 California Horse Classic.

Criteria for a Qualifying Show:
 Show verified by County
 Up to 3 shows per county
 If your county has 3 horse shows 1 show must be associated with a county fair
 Each horse show must be registered
 The Horse Show must offer the same classes that are offered at the State 4-H Classic (they may offer more if they choose too)
 Show must be before June 3rd, 2013
 Management of each show is required to send show results to Sarah Watkins at the State 4-H Office

Video Contest now being held! Winners will receive discounted registration fees to 2013 State Leadership Conference. For details visit http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/.

Registration Open: NYLC's National Youth Leadership Training
This is an opportunity for high school students to build leadership skills to make a real change in their communities. The event is July 20-27, 2013 at the National Center for Service and Innovative Leadership. Registration is now open and space is limited for the NYLT this summer. The Registration Packet is available for download at www.nylc.org/nylt - turn in your packet ASAP to secure your spot!

iThrive for Jr. & Teen Leaders
Are you looking for ways to continue to develop your Jr. & Teen Leaders in effective leadership skills? iThrive takes the principles of positive youth development and organizes them in a fun and engaging way to develop the leadership skills of our 4-H youth. The accompanying iChampion Adult Volunteer Leader Guide, provides an easy to follow resource to make project leaders successful in using this curriculum. Using the experiential learning cycle, iThrive provides opportunities for youth to realize their true and full potential and shows them how they can help their peers do the same. The curriculum is free and available to any project leader of a Jr. & Teen Leadership Project. To find out more about Thrive, check out the state website at http://www.ca4h.org/About/Thrive/. If you are interested in bringing Thrive into your Jr. & Teen Leadership Project for the 2013-2014 program year, contact your county office to find out how you can get started.

Joint Reserve Component Teen Leadership Summit
Wahsega 4-H Center
Dahlonega, Georgia
July 7-12, 2013
Now in its third year, the Joint Reserve Component Teen Leadership Summit is a week-long camp for 14-18 year old dependent teens of current reserve component family members. Teens will focus on leadership development and self-confidence, learn about programs and services available to Air Force dependents, and build a community. Information is now available for the 2013 Joint Reserve Component Teen Leadership Summits at: http://t.uga.edu/cR

New Horse Classic Blog
Visit http://ucanr.edu/blogs/HorseClassic/index.cfm for updates on 2013 California 4-H Horse Classic!
Don’t forget to subscribe to receives updates straight into your inbox!

Please help us determine the public value of 4-H by filling out the survey http://ucanr.edu/sites/4HPublicValues/
4-H Film Making Statewide Project
http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/Film/
For 4-H members (age 13-19), volunteers, and staff to learn how to produce films. The goal of the 4-H Film Making Project is to enhance technological literacy of 4-H members by helping them learn the basics of film production including storyboarding, filming, and editing. Our goal is to have 4-H members produce films that feature how 4-H is impacting their community (for example, 4-H Revolution of Responsibility projects) and recording 4-H alumni and creating films featuring the "Voices of 4-H History" for the CA 4-H Centennial.

The project is coordinated by the 4-H Technology Leadership Team,

- Hosting four-hour video production workshops around California using the National 4-H Film Making Curriculum (workshops limited to 30 people)
- Lending video equipment kits to counties
- Showcasing completed videos at the State 4-H Film Festival and on various websites

Learn more and register for a workshop at http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/Film/

my4-H
Get Connected Nationally!
After several months of development, the Next Generation my4-H is now available for use! 4-H professionals, volunteers and even youth leaders, from anywhere, can now upload, download, comment, even rank local, state and nationally produced 4-H resources. my4-H serves as a central and collaborative source for more of the 4-H resources you want—including the National Directory of 4-H Materials. Whether you’re presenting at a state-wide event or training local volunteers, my4-H is your tool for effectively engaging your audience around resources important to them, and to you. You can login now to the new my4-H (www.4-H.org/my4-H). Previous 4-H NYSD or Fund Development Toolkit users can login to my4-H with their account

Record Book News
Chance to Win an iPad Mini!
The end-of-year Spark Points Surveys are available May 1st in the 4-H Online Record Book. As a reminder, youth and adults may be eligible to win prizes by completing the required surveys and growth grids.

Youth who submit an Online Record Book to State Record Book Competition will receive a special edition "Got ORB" T-shirt.

New Support for Record Book Competition: To help youth and adults understand some specific requirements to submit a successful book to State Competition, a Quick Start Record Book course will be available in mid-May. This 20 minute online course will help youth and adults navigate the Record Book Manual. It will be fun, quick and made to stick! Look for the course on the State website in the Record Book Resources after May 10th. All youth who plan to submit a Record Book to State Competition will be required to complete this course by October 31st of the year that they are submitting a book.

“California Agriculture” license plates to fund 4-H and ag education

Proceeds from sales of the new "California Agriculture” license plates will be used to support agricultural education programs, including 4-H. The project spearheaded by the California Department of Food and Agriculture began about five years ago. The Department of Motor Vehicles required at least 7,500 pre-orders before approving the license plate. They received the minimum of pre-orders and now the plates are being produced and can be ordered at http://apps.dmv.ca.gov/forms/reg/reg17.pdf.

Annette Leeland, executive director of the 4-H Foundation, spoke with Josh Eddy, executive director of the California State Board of Food and Agriculture, to learn how the license plate proceeds will be distributed.

“A small portion of the plate fee, about $1 per plate, will go into a fund every year when a license plate is renewed or a new plate purchased,” Leeland said. “The fund will be used to issue grants from CDFA to organizations doing agricultural education. The grant eligibility and distribution process are currently being determined.”

“Please help spread the word about the new California Agriculture license plates,” said Shannon Dogan, associate director of 4-H Program & Policy. “This is an important movement in raising the profile of agriculture and helping to support the next generation of agriculture’s innovators, entrepreneurs and leaders.”

For more information about California Agriculture license plates, visit https://secure.cdfa.ca.gov/egov/calagplate/

Many of you have contacted us seeking additional clarification on the new “California Agriculture” license plates. This is a project spearheaded by the CDFA that began about 5 years ago. The DMV required at least 7,500 pre-orders before approving the license plate. They received the minimum on pre-orders and now the plates are being produced and can be ordered (http://apps.dmv.ca.gov/forms/reg/reg17.pdf). Annette Leeland has clarified with Josh Eddy, Executive Director of the California State Board of Food and Agriculture, how proceeds from the license plate sales will be used to support agricultural education programs. A small portion of the plate fee (about $1 per plate) will go into a fund every year when a plate is renewed or a new plate purchased. The fund will be used to issue grants from CDFA to organizations doing agricultural education. The grant eligibility and distribution process are currently being determined.

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For additional information and FAQs visit: https://secure.cdfa.ca.gov/egov/calagplate/

Regards,
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
Please note: University policy requires an Advisor or County Director to submit all grant applications and fulfill the require-
mements of UC ANR Contracts & Grants. For more information, please contact your local county 4-H office.

California 4-H $1,000 for 1,000 Service Learning Projects
2013 Revolution of Responsibility - http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RoR/

Mark your Calendars: 2013 Paper Clover Dates
Fall Paper Clover: October 9-20, 2013 (starts during National 4-H Week)

New for Upcoming Paper Clover Fundraisers:
4-H is expected to host an in-store event at any time during both spring and fall Paper Clover events. 4-H programs that host an in-store event will receive additional funds from Paper Clover. There will be a new incentive program to drive more of the Paper Clover funds to your county 4-H program. In-store 4-H participation will be required to participate in this incentive program, and more information will be shared in early 2013. With the new and exciting upgrades to the Paper Clover campaign, please be sure you participate in Paper Clover webinars and access new toolkit resources and promotional materials to ensure you continue to benefit from this important fund-raiser. More information and the webinar dates will be available in January.

Ben & Jerry's Foundation Grant
Deadline: Rolling
The grant seeks to promote social justice, protect the environment and support sustainable food systems. Funds are provided to grass-roots, constituent-led organizations that use community organizing strategies to accomplish their goals and to organizations that provide technical support and resources to such groups. Maximum grant: $15,000. Find out more here: http://www.benandjerrysfoundation.org/what-we-do.html?utm_source=Ready+News+March+1+13&utm_campaign=Ready+News&utm_medium=email

MacArthur Foundation Grant Competition to Provide $150,000 for Summer Youth Programs
Deadline: June 10
A new grant competition will award $150,000 to libraries, museums, and other nonprofits to provide hands-on learning opportunities this summer for youth across the country to help make the online experience more civil, safe and empowering. More info: http://dmlcompetition.net/summer-youth-programming/summer-youth-programming-competition

National Child Awareness Month Youth Ambassador Program
Deadline: June 16
Do you have a passion for community service? Have you worked hard to solve a local problem and want to do more? Apply for the National Child Awareness Month Youth Ambassador Program (NCAM). This year-long Ambassadorship will train youth (ages 16-22) to address critical issues facing youth. Fifty-one Youth Ambassadors will be selected - one per state - creating a powerful national network of young people who raise their collective voice in service to other youth. Each Ambassador will receive $1,000 grant, travel to a leadership training in Washington, D.C., and ongoing support and guidance as they implement their service projects. More info: www.YSA.org/grants/NCAM

The Be Big Contest
Deadline: June 23
If you have a BIG Idea that demonstrates Clifford's BIG Ideas, let us know! The BE BIG Fund can help bring YOUR winning idea to life with the help of Scholastic, HandsOn Network and, of course, Clifford! Enter now for the chance to bring your BIG Idea to life with a $5,000 community grant. Other prizes consist of 5 $1,000 first prize grants. More info: http://bit.ly/YuVbeT

State Farm Good Neighbor Student Achievement Grants
Deadline: June 23
Increase academic achievement, workplace readiness, and stronger communities during the 2013-2014 school year with a $1,500 State Farm Good Neighbor Student Achievement Grant. The grant requires a 14-week Semester of Service™ starting in Fall 2013. Educa-
tors from all fifty US states and D.C., and the Canadian provinces of Ontario, New Brunswick, and Alberta are invited to apply. Each teacher awarded a grant will also receive a one-day professional development training in one of five cities around the country. Learn more at: www.YSA.org/goodneighbor

State Farm Good Neighbor YOUth in the Driver Seat Grants
Deadline: June 23
Learning to drive is one of the most exciting milestones in a teen's life. To support teens and their teachers in this rite of passage, YSA and State Farm® are offering YOUth in the Driver Seat, a service and learning program that includes training, ongoing support, and a $1,500 grant to implement an extended project that encourages safe driving habits, service to the community, and student achievement. Learn more about the program and eligibility requirements at: www.YSA.org/grants/YOUthInTheDriverSeat
WEBSITES

Need help with a gardening question? Call the UC Cooperative Extension Master Gardener’s hotline at 650-726-9059 x 107 or email mgvhotline@ucdavis.edu

Elkus Ranch Environmental Education Center - We are always looking for volunteers to help out at the ranch. You can volunteer to help in the gardens, cleaning up animal pens, and other chores as needed. Please contact Leslie Jensen at elkusranch@ucdavis.edu to volunteer!

San Mateo County 4-H Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/pages/San-MateoSan-Francisco-County-4-H/75534689930

SMC Club Sites:
Belmont 4-H Club: http://www.belmont4h.org/
Burlingame/San Mateo 4-H Club; http://www.bsm4h.webs.com/
Half Moon Bay 4-H Club: http://halfmoonbay4h.yolasite.com/contact.php
Pacific 4-H Club: http://pacific4h.org/
San Bruno/South San Francisco 4-H Club: http://sbcal.us/4h/San_Bruno_4-H_Website/WELCOME.html
San Carlos/Eaton Hills 4-H Club: http://www.sancarlos4h.org/

CA State 4-H Websites
Website: http://www.ca4h.org
4-H Online Record Book (yes every registered adult volunteer and every youth ages 9 and older has an Online Record Book account): http://www.ca4h.org/4hbook/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/california4H
Twitter: https://twitter.com/California4H
YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/user/California4h
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4-H Event Calendar

JUNE

1   barn set up for livestock, SMC Fair
1-2  Archery Certification, Mt Shasta, CA. mtlassenlover@gmail.com
8   Disaster Preparedness Day, San Mateo County Event Center, 10 am - 2 pm
8-16  San Mateo County Fair, https://www.sanmateocountyfair.com/
21  Scholarship II applications, transcripts and recommendations due in the County office by 4:30pm
22-23  Shooting Sports Archery Certification training, Tulare, CA, Leah Harrelson, llaharrelson@ucanr.edu
25  All forms and final camp payments due, http://ucanr.edu/sites/smsf4h/SummerCamp/Summer_Camp_Registration/
26-30 CA 4-H Horse Classic, Brookside Equestrian Park
30   SLF Workshop Request of Proposal forms due, http://ucanr.edu/slf2013workshop

JULY

7-12 Joint Reserve Component Teen Leadership Summit, http://t.uga.edu/cR
16 - 4-H Eco-Bot exhibit, 11 am- 8 pm, CA State Fair,
16, 20, 23 Present your SET and Math (STEM) Projects, CA State Fair, http://ucanr.edu/stem/
20, 23 Non-Competitive 4-H Presentations 10 am - 8 pm, and 11 am to 8 pm on the 23rd, CA State Fair,
20, 23 Hands on Interactive, 4-H SET Activities, 10 am - 8 pm, and 11 am to 8 pm on the 23rd, CA State Fair,
23, 24 4-H Cooking Throwdown, Ca State Fair, http://ucanr.edu/throwdown/
25-28 National Shooting Sports Teen Leadership Institute, jaborba@ucdavis.edu
25-28 State Leadership Conference, http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/
28-Aug 2 4-H Summer Camp, YMCA Jones Gulch

Congratulations 2013 Graduates!

Have a safe and happy Summer!