

Imperial County 4-H Leaders Meeting
October 1, 2009
Call to order 7:07 pm
Flag Salute and 4-H pledge – Carol George

Carol George, Tri-City; Jaun Palma, Tri-City; Ashlee Fortenberry, Family; Kelly Fortenberry, Family; Kristen Weeekes, United Valley; Matthew Smith, United Valley; Terrie Sullivan, Magnolia; Lyn Croak, Verde; Rita Harvey, Star Route; Linda Homly, Family; Sonia Bolton, Family; Kathy Reese, Family; Colleen Lovecchio, Imperial; Sherry Robertson, M&M; Betty Miller, M&M; Jackie Havens, Meadows; Kelly Gill, Mulberry; Kelley Jackson, Mt. Signal; Lynn Webster, Magnolia; Shannon Magana, Holtville; Carla Paradise, SWV; Margo Lamoreaux, McCabe; Mary Harmon, County and Angie Ortiz, Calipatria

Minutes – approved

Treasurer's report – Checking \$17,665.86 / Market Acct. \$14,090.71 / Total \$31,756.57

The Acting Director, UCCE, Dr. Khaled M. Bali was introduced. He spoke a little about the importance of science in our county. His experience is with water. He is learning a lot about 4-H. Welcome.

The Star Awards were great. Congratulations to all winners. Thank you to the All Stars who presented for us.

All Stars help us out in so many ways. It would be nice if a notebook was kept for the Advisor to be aware of upcoming events and procedures. For instance, what can the All Stars do at each event? At the BBQ they judge the presentations.

Leaders Field Day/ Officer Training – October 24th @ IVC

Those to attend – Parents, Leaders, Officers and high school age 4-Hers.

Registration – 8:30 am

9 – key note speaker/Tracy Anderson

9:30 – officer classes and leader/adult training

11:30 – box lunch

12 – project fair/presentations

Carol George reported that those who have been asked to teach and present have been very willing, she is impressed and very thankful. If presenters need copies made, please get them to the 4-H office, Mary Harmon to Carol George.

Volunteers were taken for the Citizenship and Emerald Star Awards interviews. Rita Harvey, Jackie Havens accepted, Linda Shaner would be asked. Applications are due 10/21 with interviews on 10/21. Committee will meet at 3:30pm on the 21st to review apps. Interviews will start at 4pm.

Meat trimmers are needed on Oct. 17th at the Country Meat Store in Holtville at 8 am. Dress warm, bring knife.

Sherry Robertson was able to get the meat for this year's BBQ at \$1.90/lb. Thank you to her and Brawley Meat Packers.

Poster/Presentation Contest – Oct. 18th @ the BBQ. Divisions for Primary thru Sr. Call Rita Harvey @ 344-4048 with questions.

San Diego wants to have Sub Sectionals there this year. They are looking for a date that we will attend. They suggested April 17, 2010. We have conflicts on that date and will return a request to change date to May 1st. This would make travel time less for those interested in presenting.

Advisor's Report/Mary Harmon

Board of Supervisors Meeting @ 10:15 am on Tuesday, Oct. 6. This is to call to their attention that 4-H is a part of the USDA, the County Agriculture and UC Davis Extension. Rhett Robertson will talk about SET. Will DuBois about Poultry project, CJ Lopez, non animal projects and another about the financial benefit to the community because of auctioned project funds.

Please remember when designing 4-H wear that our emblem is a green four leaf clover. (Not gold or white, green. If color is an issue, black may be used. Try not to embellish.

Leaders as well as youth should not wear clothing advertising bars, casinos or be offensive in nature when representing 4-H.

Livestock Meeting Report – Carol George

Darrell Bostic from the fair said that large animals would be ear tagged and have a DNA test performed. These will be verified at the scales. All winning animals will have a 2nd DNA test. Youth selling animals at the auction must have an Ethics Training Card. This will be offered several times in the near future. The clinic on Dec. 12th @ the fair grounds will be the first. At the BBQ there will be a Swap Meet for all of you who would like to sell your extra supplies.

Lyn Croak reminded us of the ARB Convention being held the first weekend of Nov. (3-7). If you are taking rabbits to show they will be accepted at the Del Mar Fairgrounds starting Oct. 31st.

Small animal Clinic will be on Nov. 22, Sunday. Cages, rabbits, cavies and poultry will be available. Info-Carol George.

Dismissed at 8:17 pm.

Margo Lamoreaux/Secretary

Richard Sanchez taught us about Bio Fuel prior to our meeting. He has a great interest in science. He is employed by the El Centro School District and prepares the district's science teachers to help their students explore science. We were impressed and look forward to his next class. We also recommend that you come too.