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Your monthly news & event announcements

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Greetings,

Welcome to fall. If you've driven over any of the passes to the Eastern Sierra's over the last week, you would have noticed aspens starting to change colors. Along with the changing leaves, meteorologists are predicting our first rainfall for the season. This part of the year is a particular favorite of mine and I'm excited to enjoy the cooler weather. Our programs are busy creating exciting learning opportunities for you including garden tours, 4-H workshops, prescribed fire workshops and more. Read on to find something that suits your needs and share with friends. Then stop for a moment, look around you, and enjoy the beauty that is the Central Sierra.

JoLynn Miller

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Last Monthly CalaverasGROWN Certified Farmers Market

The last of the MONTHLY CalaverasGROWN Certified Farmers Markets will be on Thursday October 11th at the UCCE Master Gardeners Demonstration Garden at the Government Center, 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas. It is from 4pm to 6pm.

The market is held on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 4 -6pm, May to October.

We feature a wide variety of products from local farms right here in Calaveras County. "Locally-grown produce has traveled fewer miles so it's fresher, more nutritious and has greater flavor. And dollars spent at this market are an important source of income for local farmers", emphasizes CalaverasGROWN President and local rancher, Billie Hammer.

This is a family event with members of the Calaveras band 'Vintage Vibrations' playing jazz, swing and Dixieland and free activities for kids in the Children's Garden.

This event is sponsored by Mark Twain Medical Center.



Regional Rendezvous-Sierra Bioregion



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REGIONAL RENDEZVOUS
SIERRA BIOREGION
OCTOBER 28 • MINERS FOUNDRY, NEVADA CITY
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SAVE THE DATE!

SIERRA
Streams
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- NATURALIST UPDATES
- FIELD WALKS
- WORKSHOPS
- SPEAKERS
- BOOK EXCHANGE
- LUNCH & RECEPTION

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[Check online for more information.](#)

Continuing Education for Tuolumne County

TUOLUMNE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE PRESENTS:
**THE OCTOBER, 2018 CONTINUING
EDUCATION WORKSHOP:**
OCTOBER 31, 2018
9:00 AM TO 12:15 PM
18440 STRIKER COURT
SONORA, CA

AGENDA	
9:00 TO 10:00	WILDLIFE CONTROL WITHOUT PESTICIDES
10:00 TO 11:00	BARN OWLS – PREDATOR/PREY RELATIONSHIP
11:15 TO 12:15	ENDANGERED SPECIES

CALL THE TUOLUMNE COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT AT:
(209) 533-5691 OR EMAIL AT:
AGCOMMISSIONER@TUOLUMNECOUNTY.CA.GOV
TO REGISTER FOR THIS WORKSHOP

NO FEE TO ATTEND
3 HOURS OF CE - PENDING
DOORS OPEN AT 8:30AM

Prescribed Fire on Private Lands Workshop- Colfax and Arnold

	CALIFORNIA FIRE SCIENCE CONSORTIUM	UNIVERSITY of CALIFORNIA Agriculture & Natural Resources
	<h2>Save the Date!</h2> <h3>Prescribed Fire on Private Lands Workshop</h3> <h4>Two Locations!</h4>	
	October 2nd, 2018 Colfax Veterans Memorial Hall 22 Sunset Circle, Colfax, CA	October 4th, 2018 Ebbett's Pass Fire District 1037 Blagen Rd, Arnold, CA
	Workshop Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permitting and legal considerations • Cal Fire's Vegetation Management Program • Fire weather forecasting and online tools • Air quality and smoke management • Prescribed burn associations • Local fire history • Fire terms and fire behavior • Burn plan development • Burn unit preparation • Tools and equipment 	
	<p>This one day workshop (choose either Colfax or Arnold) is designed for landowners and managers looking to gain skills in prescribed fire planning and implementation.</p> <p>A follow up one day field trip will be held at UC Berkeley's Blodgett Research Forest in Georgetown (El Dorado County) during the last week of October. Participants will tour lands actively managed with prescribed fire and take part in a prescribed fire, permit and weather allowing.</p>	
<p>Registration for a nominal fee will be required. Register at http://ucanr.edu/2018rxfireworkshops. For questions, contact Susie Kocher, sdkocher@ucanr.edu (530) 542-2571.</p>		

[See our website for more information.](#)

Come Grow with Us!

UCCE Master Gardener Program Offers Two Training Opportunities Starting in January 2019

The University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) invites adults interested in helping others learn about gardening and landscaping to apply to train as a Master Gardener volunteer. UCCE Master Gardener volunteers learn University-based scientific information and then share that knowledge with the gardening community. Master Gardener volunteers are people of all ages and from all walks of life with a common desire to help others learn about gardening and landscaping.

The 15 week training covers topics including: botany, soil, plant pathology, home orchards, entomology, water, pests, landscape trees, composting, plant identification, propagation and so much more! Trainings will be offered in Placerville and Sonora.

Who Can Apply?

- Adult residents of Amador or El Dorado County should apply for the Amador County training. Residents of El Dorado County will train in Amador County but will be Master Gardeners in El Dorado County. The Amador County Training will be held in Jackson on Tuesdays from 9 am to 4 pm

Come Grow with Us!

UCCE Master Gardener Training Starts:
January 15- Amador County
January 24- Calaveras County

(Click on county for more information)

Learn It!
 Attend the 15 week training series. Attend regular continuing education classes. Attend monthly group meetings.

Grow It!
 Help your friends dirty by volunteering in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta. Propagate plants for the local plant sale.

Teach It!
 Educate residents at farmers markets, workshops, and events. Volunteer at the Master Gardener Plant Sale. Lead or assist with public education events.

Do you enjoy getting your hands dirty? Do you enjoy sharing your knowledge? Do you want to meet new people who share your gardening passion?

Then you may be the ideal candidate to become a UCCE Master Gardener. You will be trained by the University of California Cooperative Extension in science-based horticulture and then volunteer to teach others on sustainable gardening practices.

15-Week Master Gardener Volunteer Training
 Topics include: botany, soil, plant pathology, home orchards, entomology, water, pests, landscape trees, composting, plant identification, propagation and so much more!

Two trainings courses will be offered this winter:
Amador County: Classes will be held in Jackson on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. beginning January 15th and ending April 9th, 2019.
Calaveras County: Classes will be held in San Andreas on Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. beginning January 24th and ending May 2nd, 2019.

Want to learn more attend an orientation to learn about the UCCE Master Gardener Program, our community involvement, our program requirements, and the training requirements. Two orientations are scheduled in Amador County, October 16, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Colfax Community Center, 111 E. Main St. in Colfax, CA. In Calaveras County, the orientation meeting is October 11, from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Calaveras County Library, 1269 Oak Harbor Road, San Andreas. All applicants must attend one of the orientation meetings in their county. RSVP online at http://ucanr.edu/master_gardener site or to Susie Kocher at 530-542-2572 or sdkocher@ucanr.edu.

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beginning January 15 and ending April 9, 2019. The cost of the training is \$200 and covers all class fees, books and materials.

- Adult residents of Calaveras or Tuolumne County should apply for the Calaveras County training. Residents of Tuolumne County will train in Calaveras County but will be Master Gardeners in Tuolumne County. The Calaveras Training will be held in San Andreas on Thursdays from 3 to 7:30 pm beginning January 24 and ending May 2, 2019. The cost of the training is \$195 and covers all class fees, books and materials.
- Applicants need internet access; most communication will be through email and websites.

How to Apply

- Sign up on our MG Training interest list at http://ucanr.edu/be_mg.
- Attend training orientation to learn about the UCCE Master Gardener Program, our community involvement, your participation requirements, and the training requirements. Two orientations are scheduled in Amador County, October 16, 2018 at 5 pm or October 30, 2018 at 11 am at the Amador County GSA Building, 12200-B Airport Road in Jackson. In Calaveras County, the orientation meeting is October 11, 2018, at 3 pm at the Calaveras County Library, 1299 Gold Hunter Road, San Andreas. All applicants must attend one of the orientation meetings in their county. RSVP online at http://ucanr.edu/rsvp_information_mtg or to Robin Cleveland at 530-621-5528 or rkleveland@ucanr.edu
- For Amador & El Dorado residents, the link to the online application will be available at the orientation meetings and is due by November 9, 2018.
- For Calaveras and Tuolumne residents, applications will be available at the orientation on Oct 11 and are due TBD.

For more information contact:

Amador & El Dorado Counties: Tracy Celio (530) 621-5532 tcelio@ucanr.edu

Calaveras & Tuolumne Counties: Debbie Powell (209) 533-5695 dlpowell@ucanr.edu



Get Inspired!
Volunteer Development Day
October 27, 2018 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
12200-B Airport Road, Jackson CA 95642

You're Invited! Join us for a fun and interactive day of professional development. We will be going over everything from planning successful projects and club management to building resilient youth and keeping kids in 4-H. This free event is open to volunteers, teen leaders, and those interested in learning more! Lunch included.

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The first 20 volunteers to sign up and then show up to the training will get their \$20 leader fee refunded. If enrollment hasn't been completed yet, it will be waived!!

You can sign up for this training at <http://ucanr.edu/getinspired>

For more information, please call Nancy at 530-621-5503 or email njstarr@ucanr.edu.

23rd Annual UCCE Master Gardeners' Garden Tour in Tuolumne County

23rd Annual UCCE Master Gardeners' Garden Tour

Gardening with Purpose

Edible landscapes, attracting pollinators, going "native", making the most of your space and enjoying it!

Garden Tour

Sunday, October 14, 2018

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

\$12.00

Plant Sale at the Demonstration Garden

Tickets available at Columbia Mercantile, Sonora Lumber, Nature's Whole Food Depot, The Nest, Antiques Etc, and the UCCE Office.

Online Ticket sales: <http://ucanr.edu/tuolumnegardentourtickets>

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[You can get your tickets on our website.](http://ucanr.edu/tuolumnegardentourtickets)

Healthy Animals, Healthy People Workshop

BACKYARD LIVESTOCK

HEALTHY ANIMALS, HEALTHY PEOPLE

TOPICS

- BIOSECURITY
- ANTIBIOTIC USE
- ANTIBIOTIC REGULATIONS
- BEEF CATTLE HERD HEALTH
- AVIAN DISEASES
- SMALL RUMINANT HERD HEALTH
- FIRE PREPAREDNESS
- PASTURED POULTRY

WHEN
October 13th 2018, 9am-1pm

WHERE
Stanislaus County Harvest Hall
3800 Cornucopia Way
Modesto, CA 95358

WHAT
A public, educational workshop for backyard livestock owners, hosted by the University of California

COST
\$10 per person

REGISTER AT
[HTTP://UCANR.EDU/BACKYARDLIVESTOCK](http://ucanr.edu/backyardlivestock)

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Harvest of the Month- Pears

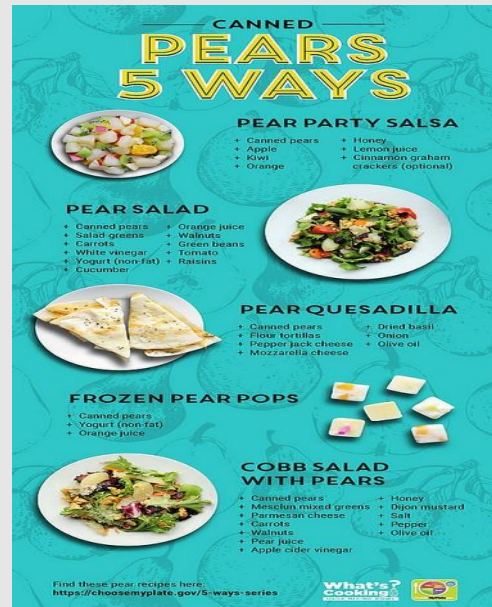


Pears are in season in the Central Sierra this October, and are a tasty and healthy addition to recipes. Find them at local farmers markets, many of which are still being held this month, and save the

recipes below to enjoy canned pears year round. To learn research-based methods for canning pears at home, visit the Central Sierra [Master Food Preservers website](#) or register for an [upcoming workshop](#).

Read the nutritional content and more [information about pears here](#), and try the recipes below:

- [Pear Party Salsa](#)
- [Pear Salad](#)
- [Pear Quesadilla](#)
- [Frozen Pear Pops](#)
- [Cobb Salad with Pears](#)



UCCE 4-H Youth Development

Enrollment is open for 2018-19 program year.

[Join Now](#)

Open to all Central Sierra 4-H

10-1: [Entry deadline for California 4-H team for the 4-H Shooting Sports National Championship](#)

10-1: [UC 4-H Mindfulness Retreat Registration](#)

10-3 to 10-14: [4-H Tractor Supply Paper Clover](#)

10-3: [4-H National Youth Science Day](#)

10-27: [Get Inspired! Volunteer Development Day](#)

Volunteer Training

10-5: [New Adult Volunteer Orientation](#) - Calaveras County

10-15: [New Adult Volunteer Orientation](#) - El Dorado County

10-22: [Zoom- assisted 4-H New Volunteer Training](#)

10-24: [Zoom- assisted 4-H returning Volunteer Training](#)

Amador

10-25: [Volunteer Management Board Meeting](#)

Check their [Calendar & Events webpage](#).

Calaveras

10-17: [County Council Meeting](#)

Check their [Calendar & Events webpage](#).

El Dorado

10-15: [Volunteer Management Board Meeting](#)

Check their [Calendar & Events webpage](#).

Tuolumne

Check their [Calendar of Events webpage](#).



Classes & Events Offered by UCCE Master Food Preservers

Amador/Calaveras

10-13: [Entrees in a Jar](#) -Amador County

El Dorado

10-10: [Grapes from Plant to Table](#)

10-20: [Basic Canning and Food Safety](#)

10-25: [Apples and Pears](#)

10-27: [Make and Take Workshop: Low Sugar/No Sugar](#)

Madera

10-16: [Fruit: Preserve It; Serve It](#)



Classes & Workshops Offered by UCCE Master Gardeners

Monthly Gardening Tips

Amador

10-6: [Living in the Forest](#)

10-16: [Master Gardener Training Informational Meeting](#)

10-20: [Soils- Composting and Vermiculture](#)

10-30: [Master Gardener Training Informational Meeting](#)

Calaveras

10-11: [Master Gardener New Volunteer Training Orientation](#)

10-27: [Open Garden & Plant Sale](#)

El Dorado

10-10: [Grapes from Garden to Table](#)

10-13: [2nd Saturday with Barry- Winter Crops](#)

10-20: [Putting Your Garden to Bed](#)

10-27: [Fall Propagation](#)

Lake Tahoe

Check their [Classes & Events webpage](#).

Tuolumne

10-6: [Open Garden: Pollinators & Beneficials/Shade Gardening/Plant Sale](#)

10-11: [Master Gardener new Volunteer Training Orientation](#)

11-3: [Family Craft Day in the Garden](#)



Classes & Events Offered by UC CalFresh

Amador

Please check back for events

Calaveras

Please check back for event

El Dorado

Please check back for events

Lake Tahoe

10-14: [Healthy Kids Community Health Fair](#)

Tuolumne

10-3: [ATCAA Health Information Fair](#)



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Thank you for your continued interest in the UC Cooperative Extension Central Sierra's news, workshops, and events.

Sincerely,

JoLynn Miller, University of California Cooperative Extension Central Sierra

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