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Season's Greetings,

As I reflect on the close of my 7th year with Cooperative Extension in the Central Sierra, I'm reminded of how wonderful our community of staff, clients, and supporters is. It's humbling to see how much passion and dedication they give to the communities they serve, truly just trying to make a difference. In that spirit, I hope your December and holiday season is filled with giving, caring, and making a difference.

Wishing you the joy of family, the gift of friends, and the best of everything in 2019.

Please note our office closures for the rest of 2018: December 24 through January 2 (Winter Break).

JoLynn Miller

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December 2018 Continuing Education Workshop- Tuolumne County

Tuolumne County Agricultural
Commissioner's Office Presents:

The December 2018 Continuing Education Workshop

December 5, 2018

9:00am to 12:15pm

18440 Striker Court, Sonora, CA

Agenda

9:00 – 10:00	Pesticides Near Schools – DPR/CRO staff
10:00 – 11:00	Piercing/Sucking Insects – Eric Carlson – Target Specialty Products
11:15 – 12:15	Invasive Species in Rangeland – Theresa Becchetti – UCCE San Joaquin/Stanislaus Counties

Call the Tuolumne County Agriculture
Department at (209) 533-5691 or email us at:
AgCommissioner@tuolumnecounty.ca.gov

to register for this workshop

NO FEE TO ATTEND

3 HOURS CE – Approved

DOORS OPEN AT 8:30 AM

Calaveras County Agritourism Class

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AGRITOURISM INTENSIVE:

A class for Calaveras County and Central Sierra foothill farmers and ranchers
offered by UC SAREP in partnership with UC Cooperative Extension, Calaveras Grower, Calaveras
County Chamber of Commerce, Calaveras Co. Tourism, Calaveras Co. Economic Development,
Calaveras County Fair, Calaveras Winegrape Alliance and other local partners



**Are you considering agritourism or nature tourism on your farm or ranch?
Would you like to expand your agritourism or nature tourism business?**

This class is for you!

- Local agritourism operators will share their own experiences and will be part of a supportive network of advisors as class participants plan and start new enterprises.
- Participants will learn from experts in business planning, regulatory compliance, risk management, hospitality and cost-effective marketing, including social media.
- The hands-on, interactive activities will guide participants as they assess their own farms or ranches for agritourism potential and start their own business, risk management and marketing plans.
- Each participant will receive a free copy of the extensive handbook, "Agritourism and Nature Tourism in California", which will be used as a text for the class.

Registration is open – Sign up today to save your space!

Farmers and ranchers from Calaveras, Tuolumne, Amador and El Dorado Counties are invited to register; others are also welcome. **Registration:** <http://ucanr.edu/agtourcalaveras2019>

Dates: Wednesdays, January 30, February 27 & March 27, 2019

Times: 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each session (lunches included)

Location: Calaveras County Fairgrounds, 2465 Gunclub Road, Angels Camp, CA 95222

Cost: \$60 for 3-session course

Information: Penny Leff, UC SAREP, paleff@ucdavis.edu, 530-752-5208

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Local Employment Opportunity

The UC Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Central Sierra has a local employment opportunity: [Area CE Livestock & Natural Resources Advisor](#)

UCCE Central Sierra serves Calaveras, Tuolumne, Amador and El Dorado counties.

This position is headquartered in Sonora, Tuolumne County, California.

POSITION PURPOSE: The Area Cooperative Extension (CE) advisor for livestock and natural resources will conduct a multi-county based extension, education and applied research program that will focus on livestock production systems including grazing management, pasture management, nutrition, herd health, animal husbandry, genetic selection, reproduction, and marketing. This position will have a strong animal husbandry focus and will contribute to a more complete and balanced team throughout the region. The natural resource component of this position will focus on developing effective solutions to issues relating to commercial livestock production systems and natural resource issues such as water quality, rangeland health, wildlife habitat, and public lands management.

For more information and application process see the [Area CE Livestock & Natural Resources Advisor details](#).

Over the Garden Gate

The UCCE Master Gardener of Tuolumne County cordially invites you to listen to their 30-minute radio show titled "Over the Garden Gate." The show is being broadcast on the Sonora Community Radio three times per week. If you are in the Sonora area, the call letters are 103.5, but outside of this area, it can be streamed online at kaad-lp.org. Here are the show times:

- Thursday 10:30 am
- Saturday 9:30 am
- Sunday 9:30 am

A variety of garden topics are covered each week. We try to post the current show on the UCCE Master Gardener of Tuolumne County face-book page which is:

www.facebook.com/Master-Gardeners-Tuolumne-County

Tune in and happy listening!

Debbie Powell



Sustainable Organic Gardening Workshop- El Dorado County



Sustainable Organic Gardening Workshop

A workshop offered by the
**UCCE Master Gardeners and
UCCE Master Food Preservers of El Dorado County**

**Saturday,
February 23, 2019**
8:30 am to 3:00 pm

at the
**Cameron Park
Community Center**
2502 Country Club Drive
Cameron Park

**Register by
February 9**

\$25

includes class handouts,
samples, and a light bag
lunch with cold drink

Sustainable Soil
Turning Dirt in to Gold: Nurturing soil is one of the best things you can do as a gardener. Plants thrive in soil that is teeming with life. Learn why soil health really matters and how to work with your soils to improve plant health and reduce disease and pests.

Composting
Active Composting: Learn the best way to make compost that will enhance your garden health. We will demonstrate hot and cold methods, optimal ratios of greens and browns, aeration, moisture, and uses for the final product.

Beneficial Plants and Insects
Attracting Pollinators, Beneficial Insects, and Other Natural Predators:
An ecologically-sustainable garden is beautiful and able to attract and sustain pollinators and beneficial insects, reducing the need for pesticides. Learn how plant selection affects beneficial insect populations, which provide ecological benefits such as biodiversity and natural pest control. Habitat management provides a refuge for the insects during winter; and nectar and pollen resources, leading to increases in pollination and other beneficial insects.

Food Preservation
What to Do with Zillions of Zucchini? Did zucchini take over your summer garden? Did neighbors leave bags of zucchini on your doorstep? Did you get tired of making zucchini bread? Did you use zucchini to feed your worm bin or compost pile? There's so much more you can do with zucchini other than freezing it. Learn multiple preservation techniques and recipes to preserve zucchini next summer to enjoy throughout the year.

More Information and Registration <http://ucanr.edu/sustainable-organic-gardening>
530-621-5502



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Grapevine Short Course- Napa



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GRAPEVINE SHORT COURSE

SAVE THE DATE
FEBRUARY 12 – 15 2019

SPRINGHILL SUITES by MARIOTT – NAPA, CA
-Classroom Programs

UC DAVIS EXPERIMENTAL VINEYARD – OAKVILLE, CA
-Technical Site Visits and Hands-on Demos

REGISTRATION WILL OPEN DECEMBER 3RD 2018

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The poster features a collage of images: a vineyard with people, a person working in a field, and a diagram of a grapevine cross-section.

To learn more about this short course [continue reading...](#)

UCCE 4-H Youth Development



Enrollment is open for 2018-19 program year.

[Join Now](#)

Open to all Central Sierra 4-H

12-1: [4-H Shooting Sports Workshop- Rifle](#)

12-16: [2019 Leadership Washington Focus Registration](#)

Volunteer Training

12-12: [New Adult Volunteer Orientation](#) - Calaveras County

Amador

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

Calaveras

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

EI Dorado

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

Tuolumne

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



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**Master
Food
Preserver**

Classes & Events Offered by UCCE Master Food Preservers

Holiday Food Safety - Countdown to the Holidays

Amador/Calaveras

1-23: [Bring Your Own Pressure Canner- Amador](#)

EI Dorado

12-16: [Applications for UCCE Master Food Preserver Training Due](#)

UCCE Master Food Preserver Training - El Dorado County

Click the flyer for details.



Come Preserve with Us!

Applications due December 16, 2018

Do you enjoy canning or drying food?
Do you enjoy teaching?
Do you want to meet new people who share your food passion?

Become a volunteer for the UCCE Master Food Preservers of El Dorado County!



Photo by Melissa Wrennack

Learn It!
Attend the initial training series.

Preserve It!
Make jams & jellies, pickled fruits and veggies, sauerkraut, jerky, soups, and much more.

Teach It!
Educate your community at public classes and events.

Learn about the UCCE Master Food Preserver program, community involvement and participation requirements at one of our training information meetings.

Thursday, October 18, 12:30 - Cameron Park Library, 2500 Country Club Drive, Cameron Park
Thursday, November 1, 12:30 - El Dorado Hills Library, 7455 Silva Valley Pkwy, El Dorado Hills
Thursday November 15, 12:00 - Bethell-Delfino Agriculture Building, 311 Fair Lane, Placerville

RSVP at <http://ucanr.edu/mfp-infomtgrsvp> or rkleveland@ucanr.edu or 530-621-5528.

11 Training Sessions

Thursdays: January 31, February 7, March 7, April 11, May 9, June 6
Saturdays: February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8

Cost: \$135 (includes books & lab materials)

Class Location: Bethell-Delfino Ag Bldg, 311 Fair Lane, Placerville
For more information, visit our training site at <http://ucanr.edu/be-edmfp>.

Holiday Food Safety

Do you have questions about your Holiday Dinner? How long to keep leftovers? Or how to clean your turkey? See these resources and find out what you need to know.

- [Holiday Food Hotlines](#)

Classes & Workshops Offered by UCCE Master Gardeners



Monthly Gardening Tips

Amador

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

Calaveras

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

El Dorado

12-8: [2nd Saturdays with Barry- Cold Frame Planting](#)

Lake Tahoe

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

Tuolumne

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

Polystyrene Collection- Tuolumne County

SAVE OUR POLYSTYRENE!
(S.P.S.)



**UCCE Tuolumne County
Master Gardeners
Polystyrene Collection Day**
Drop off your clean, #6 Polystyrene
*Remove tape, tags, labels, etc. Clean, colored polystyrene food
containers are also accepted.*

When: Saturday, January 19, 2019
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 20, 2019
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Where: Waste Management, Inc.
Microtronics Way
Turn onto Camage & follow the signs

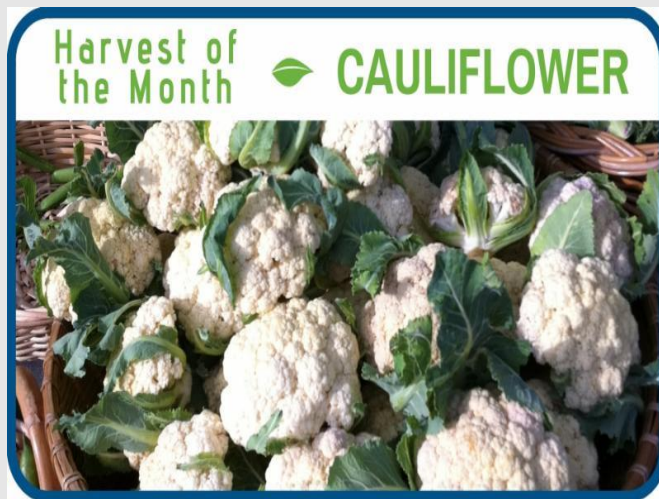


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- Amador**
Please check back for events
- Calaveras**
Please check back for events
- El Dorado**
Please check back for events
- Lake Tahoe**
Please check back for events
- Tuolumne**
Please check back for events



Cauliflower is an excellent wintertime source of vitamin C and can be used to make [tacos](#), [soup](#), or [roasted whole](#). Look for it at local markets or in seasonal vegetable boxes this month. Learn more about cauliflower and view its nutrition facts at the USDA's [Seasonal Produce Guide](#).

UC IPM and more...

- [Plant problem diagnostic tool](#)
- [Natural Enemies Gallery](#)
- [Weed Identification and Photo Gallery](#)
- [Seasonal IPM](#)
- [Recent Updates at IPM](#)
- [UCIPM Weather Models & Degree Days webpage](#)

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

Sincerely,

JoLynn Miller,
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